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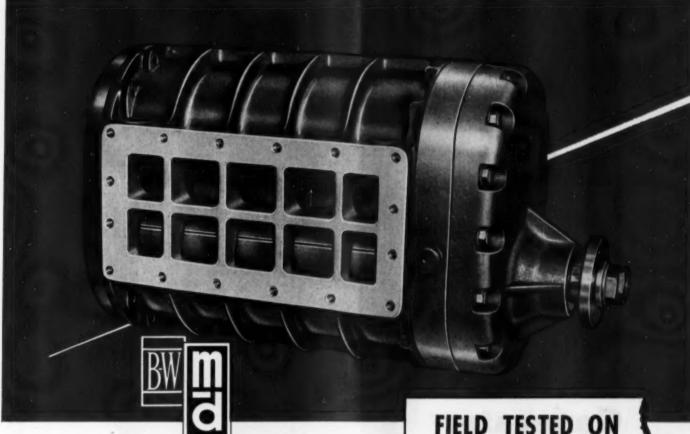
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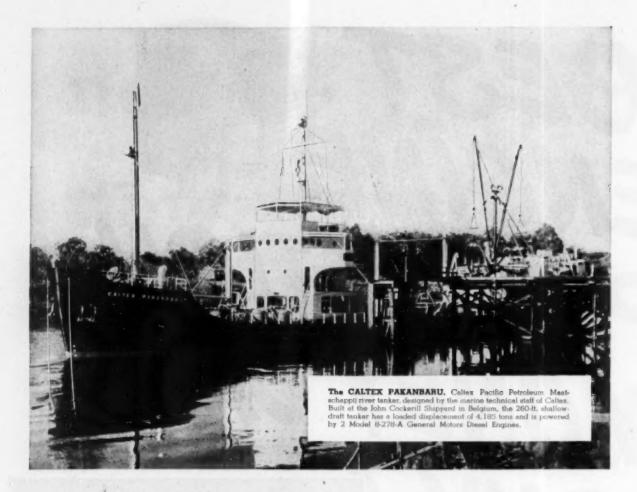
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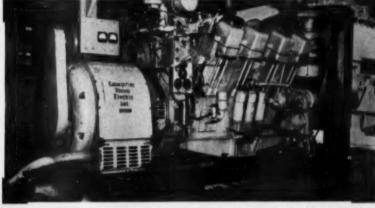
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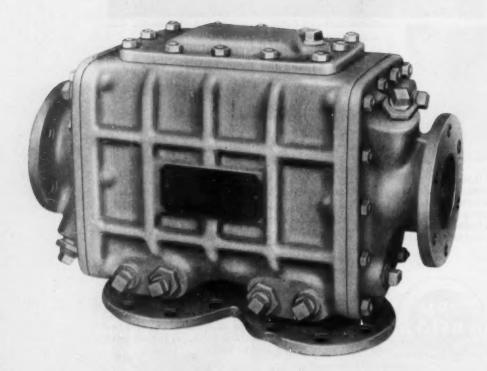
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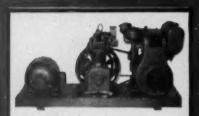
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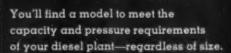


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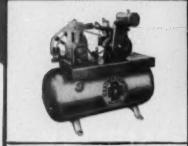


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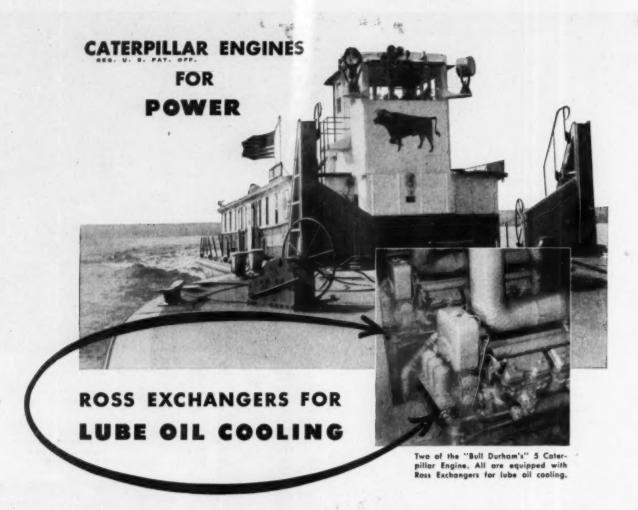
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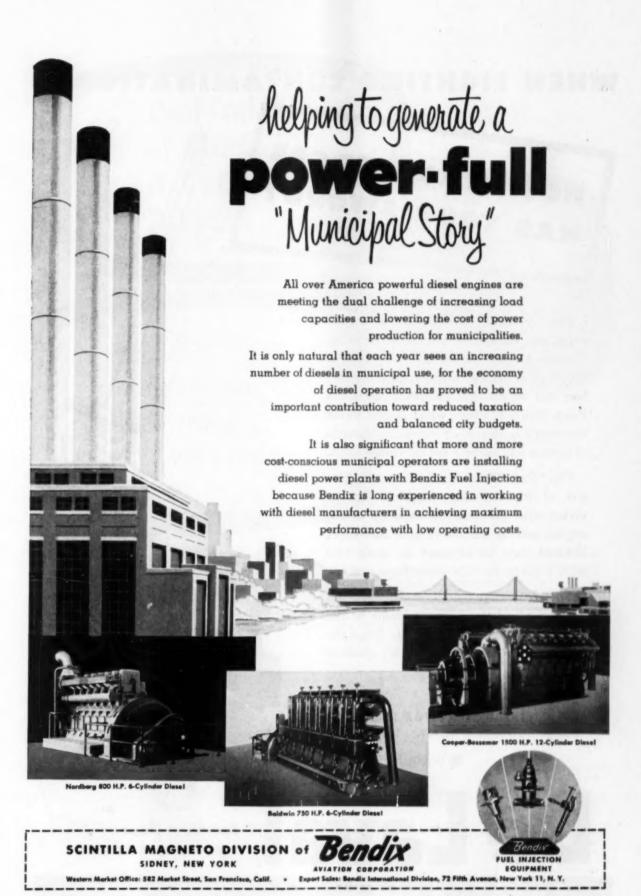
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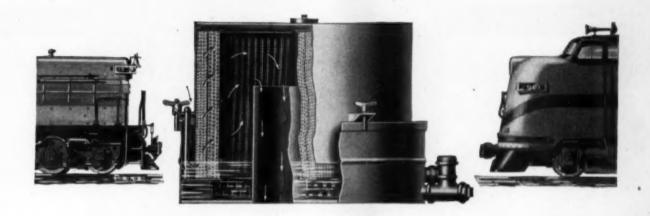
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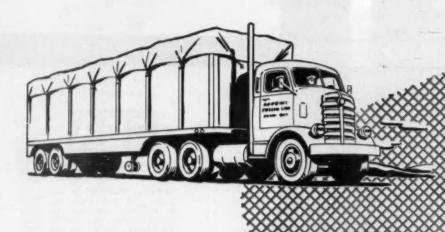
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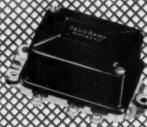
Delco-Remy heavy-duty 5%" diameter generators have made a name for themselves with Diesel users who need units that develop full output at low speeds on governed Diesel engines. These Delco-Remy generators have exceptionally long brush life (100,000 miles or more is common) and, because of durable construction and simple, dependable lubrication system, require minimum maintenance.

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#### A NEW VIEWPOINT

The International Turbine Specialist Rudolph Birmann Attacked the Design of a Turbosupercharger From an Entirely New Angle—With Astounding Results

By REX W. WADMAN

TRENTON, N. J., May 10th. In my visits to the big engine shops in recent months, I have witnessed test after test of a new DeLaval turbosupercharger. These tests having progressively gotten more and more interesting, I decided to go see the designer. So I hopped a plane in Los Angeles yesterday, flew down to New York and then trained down here to Trenton today.

Arriving at the DeLaval Steam Turbine shops, I was met by my old friend James P. Stewart, President of DeLaval, who promptly introduced me to Rudolph Birmann, the designer of the new DeLaval turbosupercharger—from then on I worked.

Before I go any further, I want to tell you about this man Birmann and why I thought it worthwhile to make a round trip across the country to visit with him. As you probably know, the turbocharger idea kind of originated in Switzerland and that's where Rudolph Birmann was born and educated. He came over here in 1922 and became steam turbine engineer with Westinghouse for a couple of years, then came here to Trenton and joined DeLaval in charge of turbine design and special assignments. Stayed here until 1939 then formed his own company, the Turbo Engineering Company, engaged in the development and production of geared and exhaust-gas-driven aircraft turbosuperchargers for the Bureau of Aeronautics. This extended to 1944, when he formed his own consulting engineering practice. In 1945 he returned to his old home here at DeLaval and has been directing development of gas turbines, special compressors and turbosuperchargers for the DeLaval Steam Turbine Company. Do you see

now why I consider Rudolph Birmann one of the best informed men in this country on what gives with a turbine?

Before I give you a detailed description of the new turbosupercharger, I want to say a few words about Mr. James P. Stewart and why he enters this word picture. President Jim was with Bob McCulloch of the McCulloch Engineering Co. of Milwaukee when the McCulloch supercharger was so successfully merchandised to our industry—some fifteen years or so ago. Then President Jim went with the Elliott Company and learned about turbochargers from them. Then he came down here to Trenton in sales-engineering and, in no time at all, worked himself up to be President of De-Laval Steam Turbine Company.

And so I say to you, my readers, that this team of a salesman who knows what the Diesel Industry really needs in a turbosupercharger and an engineer who knows how to take a different viewpoint and come up with the answer—'tis quite a competitive team.

So now to the new turbosupercharger itself and just a few of my own comments. (1) This unit has a free end. All the working parts are at one end, leaving the other free for intake filter, lube oil filter, pump and heat exchanger, etc., if you don't use engine lube oil circulation. (2) The central

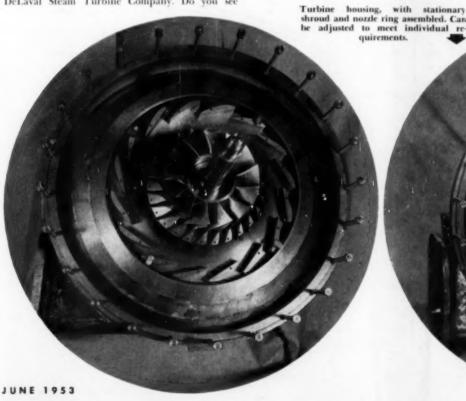
partition assembly is water cooled and offers a smooth surface for diffusion of the hot incoming gases. (3) This unit does not require bifurcated intake manifolds. It does its job with a straight through manifold. (4) The adjustability of the nozzle guide vanes makes it possible for one model to be quickly adjusted to any make of diesel within its capacity.

And now I'm going to become just a reporter, bringing to you, word for word, designer Birmann's description of the DeLaval Turbosupercharger. These are his words, these are his claims:

The course of the development of the diesel engine, from its inception to its present stage, is marked by several distinct milestones. The early diesel engine aspirated air at atmospheric pressure and employed air injection. Later on solid fuel injection was used, and a continuous rating of 80 psi., bmep., was obtained.

The next major step was the provision of an exhaust-turbine-driven centrifugal blower, to precompress the combustion air to approximately 1.4 atmospheres. The exhaust turbine was of the blowdown type—that is, it was motivated by the pulsating energy of the exhaust gases. Such low-pressure turbosupercharging brought about an improvement in the engine fuel consumption and the greatly increased specific output of 120 psi, bmep. This increase in engine output and improvement in engine performance, achieved without any change in the basic engine design or its physical size, was so profound that turbosuper-charging has become an economic necessity, at

Rotor, within stationary turbine blading shroud and turbine housing viewed from compressor end.





least for medium and large size four cycle diesel engines.

In recent years, the diesel engine entered the era of high-pressure turbosupercharging, employing inlet manifold pressures of 2 to 3 atmospheres and cooling of the air at these pressures. The ultimate possibilities of high-pressure turbosupercharging have not as yet been reached, but at its present stage of development it has already resulted in further improvement of specific fuel consumption and in full-load engine ratings of 180 psi. bmep.

In view of the many advantages with regard to engine output brought about by high-pressure turbosupercharging, it is rapidly being adopted by the diesel engine industry, making the original low-pressure supercharging system obsolescent.

In high-pressure turbosupercharging, the energy in the exhaust pulsations no longer is sufficient for driving the turbine, as in the case in low-pressure turbosupercharging. Additional exhaust energy must be made available to the turbine by increasing the pressure in the engine exhaust manifold, from which the turbine is supplied. This means that the engine must operate against a definite exhaust back pressure, and for good engine performance it is essential that the inlet manifold pressure be substantially higher than this exhaust back pressure. In effect, the turbosupercharger becomes a low-pressure gas turbine, which produces a net output in the form of difference between intake and exhaust manifold pressures, the input being the heat and pressure energy in the engine exhaust gases.

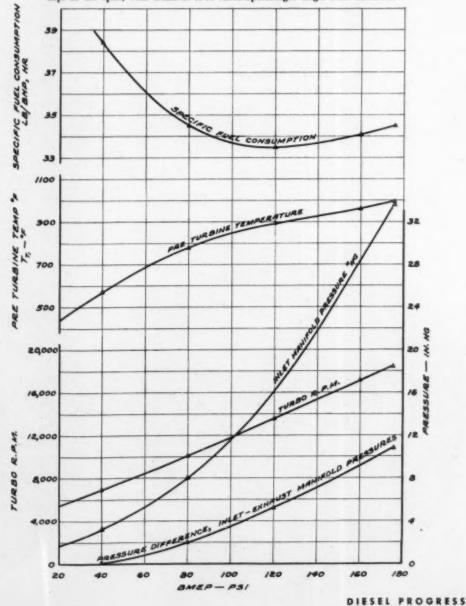
It is well known that in any gas turbine the amount of the net output is very sensitive to the efficiencies of the turbine and compressor. Mediocre or low component efficiencies result in little or no net output of the gas turbine, or, in the case of a high-pressure turbosupercharger, in little or no differential between intake and exhaust manifold pressure, which adversely affects the operation of the engine, particularly with regard to fuel consumption and thermal loading. High component efficiencies bring about a large difference between intake and exhaust gas manifold pressures, which has the following effects: (1) During the scavenging period, or, in other words, during the time when both intake and exhaust valves are open, a large flow of air is forced through the engine cylinders. (2) The scavenging airflow brings about internal cooling of the engine. (3) Residual exhaust gases are thoroughly "washed" out of the engine clearance space, thus eliminating the dilution of the fresh air charge by residual exhaust gases, permitting the compression stroke to begin with the minimum possible temperature, which has a favorable effect on the temperature level of the entire internal engine cycle and on its thermal efficiency. (4) The engine indicator diagram circumscribes a positive area during the suction-power stroke, which means that the engine actually develops net horsepower during these strokes-horsepower power which represents waste heat (contained in the exhaust), converted into net power output by the turbosupercharger and transmitted pneumatically therefrom to the engine chrankThe DeLaval turbosupercharger has been designed and developed specifically for high-pressure supercharging service. The series A model, which has been built in two different sizes—the A-10 and the A-14 is designed for a pressure ratio of 2-1 under full-load engine operating conditions, and slightly higher under engine overload to be capable of producing pressure ratios of 3:1 under engine full-load conditions.

One of the outstanding characteristics of the De Laval turbosupercharger is the high efficiency of the turbine and the compressor, which is the result of many years of painstaking research and experimental work. The compressor is the mixed-flow type, so-called because the air enters axially and flows through and out of the impellers partly axially and partly radially. This type of compressor was originated by DeLaval more than twenty-five years ago, and has gradually been refined aerodynamatically and improved structurally, until today efficiencies and performance characteristics are obtained which are substantially better than those which can be achieved with either the axialflow type or the radial-flow centrifugal type, the latter being commonly used in conventional turbosuperchargers.

A departure from conventional practice was also made in the design of the turbine, because it was found that the desired turbine characteristics and high turbine efficiency could not be obtained by using the conventional axial-flow type of turbine. The mixed-flow centripetal turbine—which De-Laval was the first to develop, beginning as long ago as back in 1928—was found to be much more suitable for service in exhaust—gas-turbine-driven superchargers. One of the many attractive features of the centrifugal turbine is the fact that its blades are very rugged and that they are few in number. In the axial-flow turbine many more blades are necessary, and therefore, they must be comparatively narrow and delicate.

In comparison with all turbosuperchargers presently on the market, the DeLaval type is unique with regard to the construction of its rotor. The mixed-flow impeller and the centripetal turbine wheel are combined in a single rotor structure in which the compressor blading is carried on one side of the rotor hub and the turbine blading on the opposite side. This arrangement eliminates all parasitic losses such as turbine and compressor leakage, windage and friction of non-working surfaces—losses which are unavoidable in conventional de-

Test results-Nordberg 4 cycle, 12 cylinder, 13x16½ Supairthermal V-type engine, 2400 bhp. at 450 rpm., with DeLaval A-14 turbosupercharger single duct manifold.



signs employing separate compressor and turbine rotors. By eliminating these losses, the turbine and compressor efficiencies are substantially improved, over and above the improvements already achieved by the aerodynamically highly improved mixed-flow compressor blading and the refined centripetal turbine blade configuration. This so-called "Monorotor" construction offers the additional advantage of extreme simplicity, eliminating a great number of parts such as air and gas seals and partition walls. The blades of both the compressor and the turbine are open along their entire tip contour, and their configuration prevents accumulation of dirt, with its resulting loss of performance.

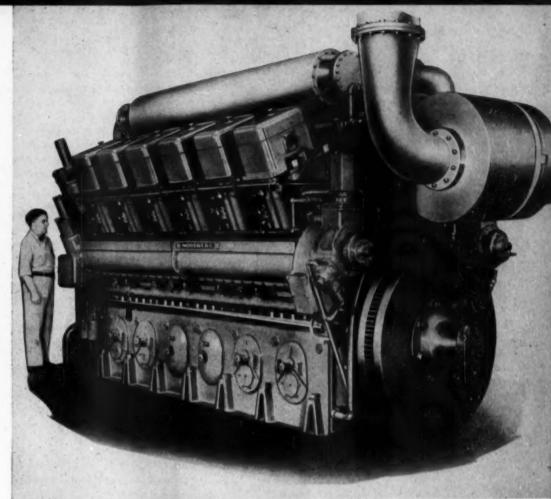
The overhung rotor is bolted to the end of the shaft by means of a single central tie bolt. The shaft is journaled in two bearings, located on the cold side of the rotor and contained in a common bearing housing that is an integral coaxial part of the compressor inlet casing. Both bearings are of the steel-backed, copper-lead lined type. The end faces of the outboard bearing serve as thrust bearings by cooperating with thrust collars carried on the shaft, thus serving to locate the rotor and carry its slight axial thrust. Both bearings are so arranged that they can be removed and inspected in a few minutes, merely by taking off the bearing end cover and without further dismantling the unit. Oil to the bearings can be supplied from the engine lubricating system, or, if desired, a separate, self-contained lubricating system can be furnished with the surbosupercharger.

The mixed-flow compressor has an axial air inlet and a vaneless diffuser, terminating in a scroll hous-

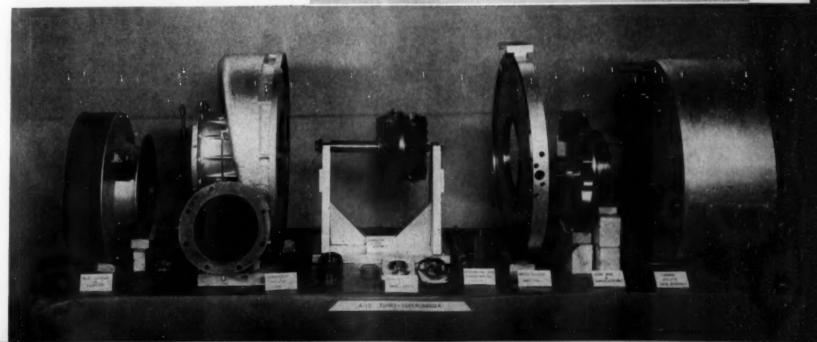
> Above, Nordberg 4 cycle, 12 cylinder, 13 by 16½ Supairthermal V type diesel engine equipped with a DeLaval A-14 turbosupercharger.

Turbosupercharger completely assembled including turbine lagging and pulse converter.

Exploded view of the model A-10 turbosupercharger showing, left to right: (1) inlet screen and silencer. (2) compressor volute case. (3) complete rotor assembly. (4) bearings and small parts. (5) assembling and disassembling tools. (6) water-cooled partition. (7) guide vane and shroud assembly. (8) turbine volute case assembly.







ing, from which the air is discharged tangentially. The use of a vaneless diffuser is largely responsible for the wide compressor operating range, and makes the compressor capable of efficiently serving a variety of engines having different airflow requirements.

The turbine nozzle box receives the engine exhaust gases in a tengential direction, through a single inlet, and contains the turbine nozzle guide vanes which provide for full admission in all applications. These guide vanes are arranged between two radial walls, and are so mounted on one of them that they can readily be pivoted to change the nozzle area. This feature eliminates the need for installing different nozzle rings to adapt the unit to different operating conditions, and permits rapid matching of engine and turbosupercharger. In some units a mechanism has been incorporated which permits adjusting the guide vane position from the outside, during operation of the turbocharger. This externally-adjustable guide vane mechanism is invaluable when used as a tool to rapidly perform a series of tests leading to the best matching of turbosupercharger and engine. It can also be used for varying the turbosupercharger rpm. with changing engine load or speed, to achieve various engine operating characteristics, such as high torque at low engine rpm.

The guide vanes direct the flow of exhaust gases radially inward into the turbine blades, from where they are discharged into the passages formed by the blades of the turbine wheel. The exhaust gases are then discharged into an exhaust diffuser, which is coaxial with and a part of the turbine housing. This diffuser serves to recover some of the kinetic energy represented by the leaving velocity at the discharge from the turbine blades, and to convey the gases to the turbine discharge opening.

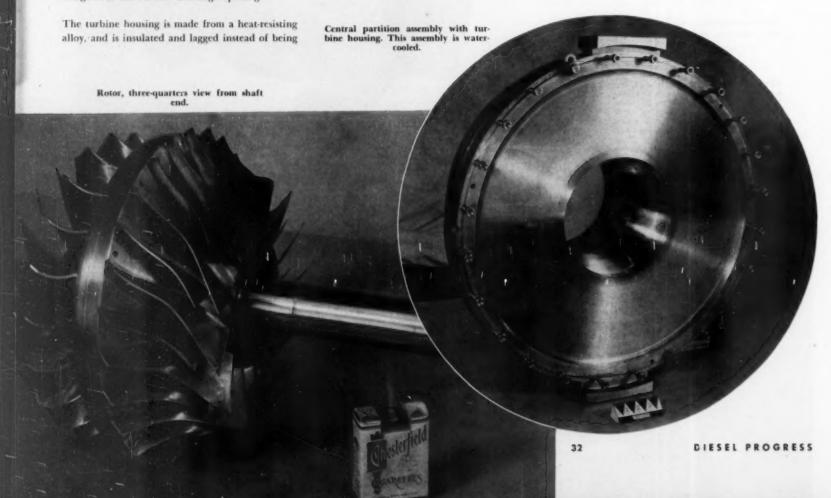
water-cooled. The turbine nozzle box is separated from the compressor housing by a central partition diaphram, which is hollow for internal water circulation. It is the only water-cooled part of the entire unit. Tests have shown that the amount of heat rejected to the small quantity of cooling water required is insignificant compared with the heat carried away in the cooling water for the commonly-used turbine casing cooling jackets.

The "Monorotor" construction of the turbine wheel and the compressor impeller permits cooling the turbine side of the rotor in a very simple manner, by by-passing approximately 5% of the air handled by the compressor over the periphery of the rotor to the turbine. The air so by-passed flows in the form of a thin sheet over the turbine rotor hub, blanketing it from the heat of the blades. This cooling effect is augmented by the provision of cooling airflow through the hollow interior of the rotor and through cooling passages directly adjacent to the turbine blade roots. By being intensively cooled in this fashion, the turbine is capable of safe operation with the highest tempertures encountered in diesel engine service, because the metal temperatures are reducd to values for which the time-to-rupture is virtually unlimited.

The full admission of the turbine and its undivided nozzle box makes the DeLaval supercharger different from conventional designs. Full admission is necessary if maximum turbine efficiency is to be achieved. Full admission is not possible, however, in conjunction with the well-known 'blowdown' system, which has found wide application to fourcycle diesel engines. The objective of the 'blowdown' system is the utilization of as much of the pulsating exhaust energy as is possible. For this purpose the engine exhaust manifold is subdivided into separate branches, so arranged that the exhaust gases from any one cylinder, or from groups of two or three cylinders having non-overlapping exhaust periods, are segregated and discharged into the turbine through separate groups of turbine nozzles. This involves, momentarily at least, partial turbine admission and pulsating flow through the turbine—both of which adversely affect the turbine efficiency.

The DeLaval turbine operates with full admission and steady flow at all times. To recover the pulsating portion of the exhaust energy, the several branches of the exhaust manifold are connected to the single turbine inlet by means of an adaptor piece called the 'pulse converter adaptor.' This device is capable of concerting the pulsating portion of the exhaust energy into a pressure rise, with the result that the pre-turbine pressure is higher than the mean pressure in the exhaust manifold. The difference between pre-turbine pressure and mean exhaust manifold pressure represents that part of the energy of the exhaust pulsations which is made available to the turbine. The turbine by virtue of its full admission and steady flow, can then convert this energy with maximum efficiency into the output.

From the brief description given, it can be seen that in almost all essential respects the design of the DeLaval turbosupercharger departs from standard practice, solving in a new and unique way the problem of better utilization of the exhaust energy to precompress the combustion and scavenging air of a diesel engine.



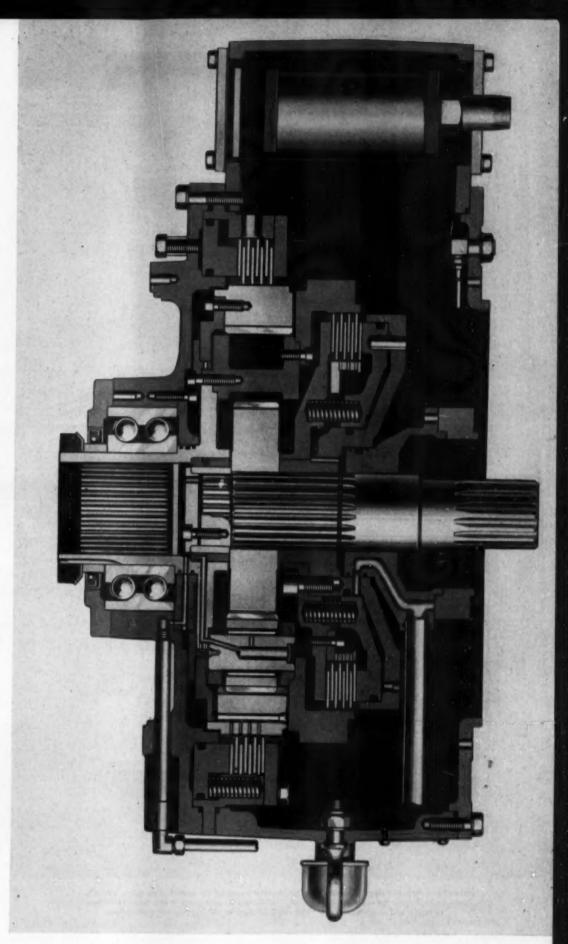
## FOUR NEW TWIN DISC DRIVES

By W. L. BODE

OUR completely new industrial drives-developed to help increase performance, extend utilization, and reduce maintenance of dieselized installations throughout industry-have been announced by the Twin Disc Clutch Company. The new drives include a two-stage hydraulic torque converter, a 2-speed oil-actuated transmission, a disconnecting hydraulic power take-off, and an airactuated clutch. The new two-stage hydraulic torque converter was developed to fill the gap in industrial hydraulic drives, and is particularly adaptable for dieselized equipment in the oil fields and logging industry, as well as on- and off-highway hauling throughout construction, mining, and other major industries. Providing maximum operational efficiency, the Twin Disc two-stage design develops up-to-4:1 torque multiplication at stall, combined with progressively increasing engine speed during aceleration and uniform pull-down under load. Thus it meets the requirements of certain engine applications needing converter drive with specific performance characteristics.

Principal feature of the Twin Disc two-stage converter is its freewheel reaction or stator blades, which provide complete unloading of the engine at high-speed, no-load conditions-with low horsepower absorption for greater economy, and with minimum cooling requirements. Basic two-stage converter unit is the Model S, which offers a standard spider drive input, and is equipped with a built-in converter charging pump around the input shaft-just adjacent to the drive spider. Inlet and outlet connections are provided for piping the converter fluid to and from a cooler, which can be either an oil-to-water heat exchanger or an oil-toair radiator. Two types of output shafts will be available: (1) straight shaft extension type, which will be mounted on maximum bearing centers and have an adequate rear bearing to handle side loads, and (2) flanged shaft type, to permit use of a "U" joint connection for in-line drives.

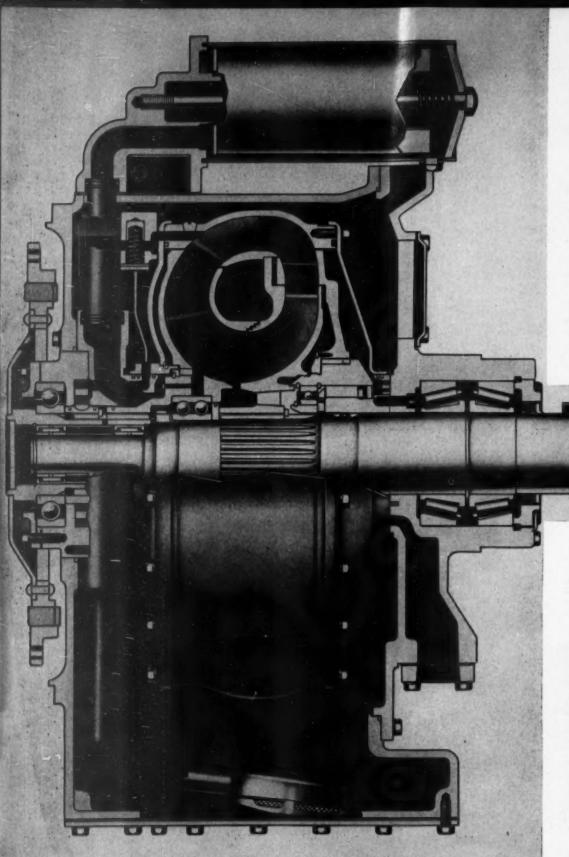
Twin Disc has also designed the new two-stage converter in a disconnecting type, called the Model SD, shown in the illustration. Essentially the same as the basic Model S unit described above, the



New Twin Disc 2-speed transmission, model T-302, designed to give three-stage torque converters extended performance within maximum operating range.

Model SD incorporates the additional design features of (1) quick-release dump valves on the rotating turbine wheel, to permit release of the oil from within the converter circuit—providing a complete disconnect feature; and (2) a 2-position control valve, located on top of the stationary converter housing-for actuation of the dump valves.

Particularly compact in size, the Model SD's overall length is considerably less than a converter



New Twin Disc two-stage hydraulic torque converter (model SD with Spider drive and disconnecting feature shown), will be available in industrial and truck types, with variations of input and output ends and of internal blading to suit specific requirements.

equipped with a conventional friction clutch between converter and engine. The new 2-speed oilactuated transmission was developed specifically for use with three-stage torque converters, which are being used today on many diesel installations in industry. Designated as the Model T-302, it is engineered to obtain improved performance in torque converter installations by providing a dual range of converter operation. The unit is equipped with a direct drive and single stage planetary gear system. Two ratio spreads are available: direct drive and 2.69:1 reduction, or direct drive and 3.07:1 reduction ratio.

In addition to the extended range of performance obtained, the new Twin Disc 2-speed transmission

offers greater shifting ease through the use of hydraulically actuated multiple disc clutches providing the selection of three operating positions: neutral, high or direct drive, and low or reduction gear drive. All positions are controlled from a spooltype valve mounted on top of the transmission.

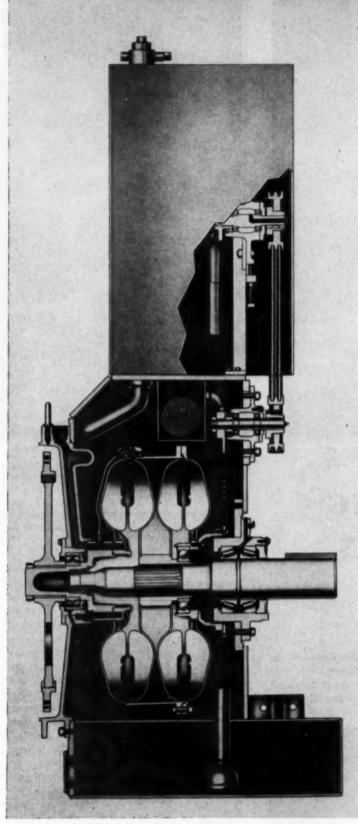
Extremely compact and rugged in construction, the new Twin Disc 2-speed transmission is designed for easy installation and simple maintenance. As a "package" unit, it constitutes a well-designed transmission matched to the Twin Disc three-stage hydraulic torque converter.

Designed to provide diesel equipment more effective hydraulic linkage for heavy-duty applications requiring quick, positive disconnect—the new disconnecting hydraulic power take-off is designated as the Model HUD. Wherever loads have to be lifted, swung, or twisted under conditions involving frequent shocks and high starting torque, the new Twin Disc Model HUD utilizes peak torque from

any type engine, whether gasoline, diesel, or butane, while providing a fluid protection against starting loads, shock loads, and overloads. By redesigning the present-and long proven-Model HUD, which incorporates the Twin Disc doublecircuit coupling, Twin Disc engineers have achieved more compact installation dimensions to meet space limitations, by providing an integral unit which contains an independent cooling radiator, together with the necessary fan-drive and cooling-fan assembly. With the new disconnecting power take-off, impact shocks between driving and driven equipment are reduced 70% or more, through the energy-absorption ability of the fluid circuit. By the elimination of lugging and stalling, vibrations and torsional variations, the hydraulic unit substantially increases the operational life of engines, chains, clutches, and other running parts. The dampening effect of the Model HUD prevents load oscillation, and keeps power steady in one

Controlled by the operator, disconnection on the Twin Disc disconnecting hydraulic PTO is actuated from a master control valve, which operates differential pressure valves to dump the oil within the HUD into a reservoir in a matter of seconds.

New type rubber diaphragm valves operating in a radial direction accurately allow for fluid dumping and re-filling. Release is complete and positive, without the bother and space-consuming necessity of engine cut-off clutches. The new HUD eliminates the critical problem of coordinating engine throttle, drum clutch, drum brake, etc. Now the drum clutch can be engaged with engines idling.

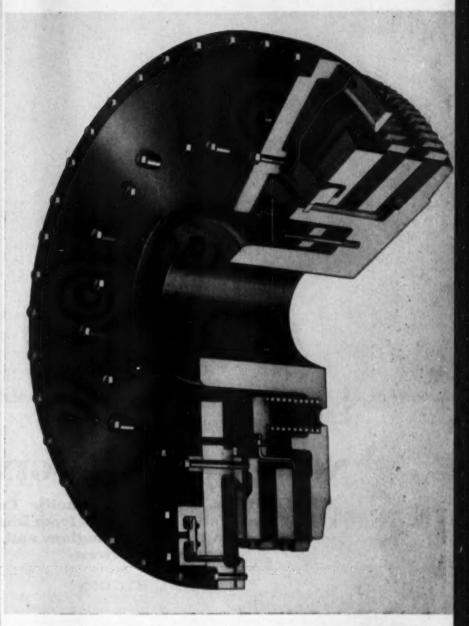


New Twin Disc disconnecting hydraulic power take-off, model HUD, available in coupling sizes 21-in. and 27-in., to handle 60 to 600 hp. engines. Contains independent cooling radiator, with fan-drive and cooling-fan assembly.

The load can be picked up easily, simply by opening the throttles. Multiple engines can be synchronized while operating at slightly different speeds. Compactly designed for limited space application, the new Model HUD, disconnecting power take-off is available in coupling sizes 21 and 27 in.—to handle up to 600 hp. engines.

The new Model PO air-actuated clutch is engineered for greater torque capacity, and offers users

of diesel equipment a remote-controlled friction drive lighter in weight, and more narrow in width than the conventional air-actuated clutch. This unusual compactness permits the new Model PO Clutch to be installed in less shaft space, with closer shaft-bearing center distances. A single set of air-cooled springs assures faster, more trouble-free plate release and equal distribution of release pressure. Air actuation is effected through insulated and air-cooled diaphragms—and is unusually



New Twin Disc air-actuated clutch, model PO, one of a series designed for lighter weight and higher torque capacity, with narrower clutch width.

smooth and accurate. Built to maintain maximum efficiency even under adverse operating conditions, the new model PO air-actuated clutch has all parts fabricated from specially developed alloys, for maximum strength to withstand heavy shock loads and tooth wear.

Because of the greater and more uniform actuating pressure on the new PO, its capacity far exceeds that of mechanically loaded clutches of the same size. Actually, the capacity of the new model PO air-actuated clutch is given on a basis of working torque capacities rather than actual break-away torque, in line with Twin Disc's long-established policy. Offered at present in two and three plates, 24 in. size, the new Twin Disc Model PO air-actuated clutch is already drawing keen interest from leaders in equipment design. Twin Disc's new series of air-actuated clutches has been designed to offer a selectivity of standard models to fit any job—where remote control is desired, and complicated linkage cannot be tolerated.



An HD-9 with GM Detroit Diesel engine skidding logs to landing at Singer Reserve on contract for the Chicago Mill & Lumber Co., of Tallulah, La. Owned by J. E. Shevers, Oak Grove, La.

## **NOW WE'RE LOGGING**

Allis-Chalmers Officials at Pacific Congress Recall Years of Progress from Diesel Tractors in 1928 to GM Engines and Torque Converters

By F. HAL HIGGINS

E no longer make a gas crawler and the logger can't, or won't, buy anything but dieselized equipment for his heavy jobs. In fact, since 1940, the diesel engine for power has been

pretty well accepted by the logging industry." So was the place of the diesel summed up in the western logging industry by H. T. Larmore, Industrial Equipment Manager, Tractor Division, Allis-





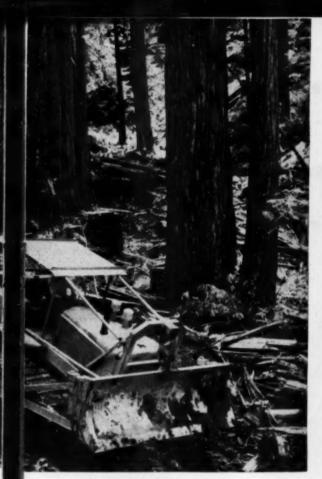
An HD-20 powered by a GM engine, with Carco dozer and winch. Arcata Redwood Logging Co., Arcata, California. The HD-20 builds logging

Chalmers Mfg. Co., who was out from Milwaukee for the 43rd Pacific Logging Congress in San Francisco late in 1952.

Mr. Larmore was picked by his group of western branch managers from Oakland, Los Angeles, Portland and Seattle, to speak for the Allis-Chalmers group of visitors. Among the A-C group on hand for the Congress were: Frank Mussell, vice president and general manager; A. E. Dorn, industrial sales manager; A. B. Layman, service manager; H. J. Masuhr, industrial advertising manager; Wes Davis, West Coast division manager, all from the home office in Milwaukee. From the West, George Schierman, Oakland branch manager; S. C. Skiman, industrial sales manager, Oakland; L. D. Benedict, branch manager, Los Angeles; Frank Bryson, industrial sales manager, Los Angeles; A. E. Mills, branch manager, Portland, Oregon; and his two industrial sales managers, Harold Appel and W. N. Bryant for the Northwest area; J. W. Duddleson, district manager, Seattle, for British Columbia and Yukon territory; Harvey Beachler, service supervisor for the California area.

"Give this western U.S. logger credit for having the vision and guts to try out and go along with the manufacturers in the development period of the diesel tractors and engines powering all the logging equipment we see today," remarked Mr. Masuhr as he reviewed the mighty battle of the diesel to lick ring, liner, and bearing troubles. Cooperating in this effort were the western oil

> Allis-Chalmers HD-5G with GM diesel working for the Orick Lumber Company of Orick, California.



roads, yards or skids timber and also is used to prepare homesites for company employees at the town of Orick, Calif.



Model HD-15 bulldozing logging roads with Baker dozer, building primary, secondary and spur roads. Engine is GM Detroit Diesel. Owned by Corcoran Pulpwood Company of Bozeman, Montana.

company technicians and the many painstaking trials of all the various high speed diesels that were sent out to logging camps to fight against the ruggedest tests of "he-man" pioneering to be found anywhere in the world.

"This western logger did a magnificent job of stretching his over-worked logging equipment during the period of World War II when he couldn't get enough new diesel equipment. He had then to limp along on old gas and steam powered equipment until he had a chance of getting diesel engines. Hence, the line-up of a tremendous backlog demand for diesels with the war's end when Government slowed down its demands and allowed industries to begin the long job of re-equipping with the latest dieselized machines.

"In a general way, this situation can be covered by merely saying that the logging industry now accepts the diesel to the point that no other kind of tractors are utilized. We in Allis-Chalmers now have four diesel models each powered by a GM engine. These models are the HD5, HD9, HD15, and HD20. Since the end of war, we have given the industry a complete new line of crawler diesel tractors and blade graders that help make and maintain the logging roads. I think it is safe to say that the diesels have made the logging business cheaper, met the demands of Government and home builder, reduced fire hazards, cut loss of gas from leakage and theft, and enabled lumber to hold its dominant place in the nation's

GM-Detroit-Diesel engined HD-5 logging 20 miles northeast of Hamburg, Ark. Owned by Blankenship Bros., Crossett, Ark. economy despite the promotion of wood substitutes."

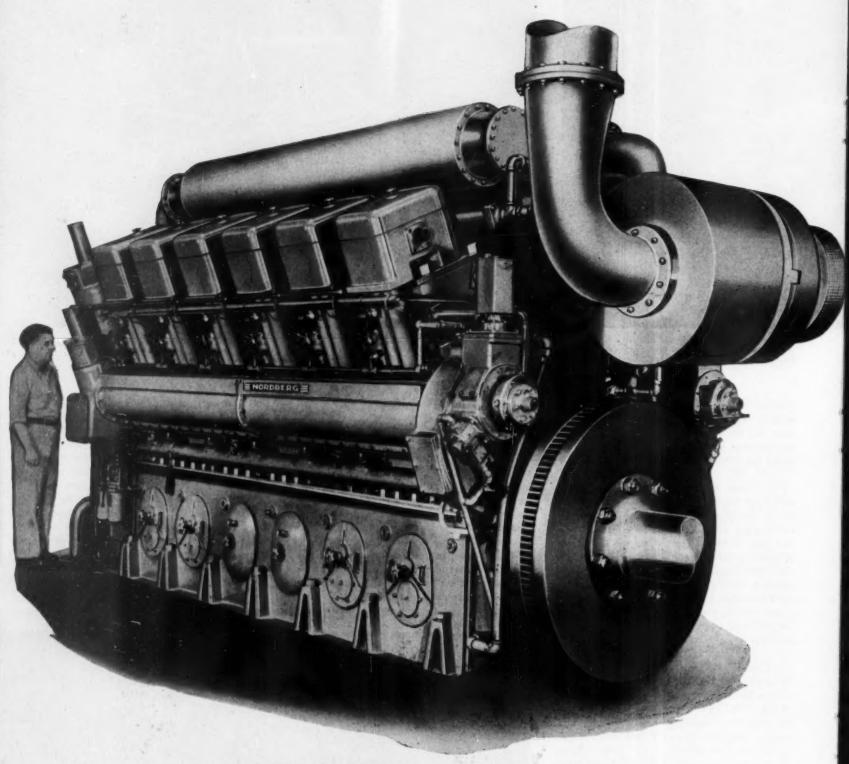
Asked about the line of diesel motor graders offered by Allis-Chalmers for the logger to smooth the path of truck logging, the A-C official put it in these words: "We offer the Allis-Chalmers motor grader in four models for logging road construction and maintenance. This trend of highway construction by the logging companies to connect up their timber operations with the state and county highways has brought maintenance costs way down. Many inaccessible areas of virgin timber that could not have been logged successfully by old steam railroads and donkey engines have been opened up. Good roads for the logging

trucks has brought truck maintenance way, way down compared with the old days when they tried to log over poor and inadequate roads.

"Our diesels with torque converters, pioneered in the HD20, have really given the diesel tractor with bulldozer a key job in modern logging in the U.S. We are proud that we were here in the West with it and took it through to its high success of today. A lot of history has been made in many fields since. But the logging history is one of achievement over stubborn obstacles with many cooperative efforts to get results. Oil, machine and the Indomitable spirit of the western logger each had its share in the victory. But with diesels—now we are really logging!"



## NORDBERG NEW V-TYPE LINE



Nordberg four-cycle, 12 cylinder Supairthermal V-Type Diesel engine rated 3200 hp. at 600 rpm. with DeLaval turbosupercharger installed.

S another step in its program to manufacture a wide range of highly efficient prime movers, Nordberg Manufacturing Company, Milwaukee, Wisconsin announces production of a series of four-cycle Supairthermal V-Type engines for stationary

and marine services. These engines are designed to meet the increasing demand for heavy duty prime movers of moderate weight and small physical dimensions. They are built in 12 or 16 cylinders of 13 in. bore and 161/2 in. stroke covering a range

from 2400 to 4260 horsepower at 450 to 600 rpm.

The design of these engines incorporates all performance features of Nordberg 13 in. bore in-line Supairthermal engines and many of the important

parts of the V-Type engine are identical and interchangeable with the in-line type engine. The Supairthermal principle of operation-completely proved in both stationary and marine service-gives substantially more horsepower per cylinder at high thermal efficiency. Nordberg Supairthermal V-Type engines are designed and built for liquid fuel, duafuel or spark-fired gas operation. As a diesel, the engine burns a wide range of fuel and crude oils. For duafuel operation, the engine burns various types of gaseous fuels with only a small percentage of pilot oil to control combustion. In case of any interruption in gas supply the engine will automatically change to liquid fuel without affecting speed or load. As a spark-fired gas engine, it will burn natural gas, butane, propane, manufactured gas and sewage gas using a dual spark ignition system.

The cross section shows the compact design and heavy duty construction of this Supairthermal V-Type engine. The included angle of the two banks of cylinders is 45° and the offset between cylinders working on each crankpin is 43/4 in. The net weight of the 12 cylinder engine is 96,000 lbs. and the 16 cylinder engine, 122,000 lbs. This does not include the weight of the flywheel and extension shaft on stationary engines or the flywheel, thrust bearing or thrust shaft for marine engines. The inlet air manifold and single duct exhaust manifold are located directly under the intercooler housing. The intercooler, of the two-pass type, extends the full length of the engine. For stationary application, the turbocharger is positioned on the free end of engine and in marine propulsion, it is installed at the drive end. To provide maximum strength and rigidity in the entire engine structure, the crankshaft is carried in the frame and is supported by the lower transverse members. The steel bearing caps are keyed to these members and are held in place by two steel through bolss. The crankshaft, of counter-weighted design, is made from a heat treated alloy steel forging. Oil passages are drilled through the bearings journals and crank cheeks for pressure lubrication.

The rugged construction of the Nordberg V-Type engine results from the application of heat treated alloy steels in the engine frame, bedplate, crankshaft, connecting rods, etc. The frame itself is a rigid and compact integral member of welded steel plate which has been carefully stress-relieved.

Heavy sections between the top and bottom members of the cylinder compartment and upper main bearing supports transmit the forces of the combustion gas directly to the top deck of the frame.

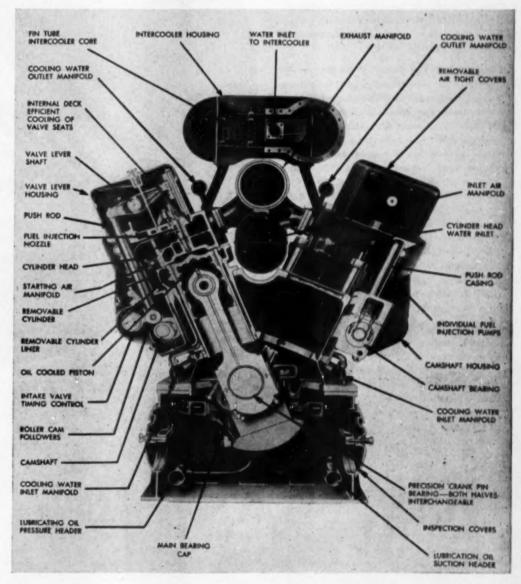
One of the unique features of this engine is the simplicity of cylinder construction. Removable cast iron liners seat in individual cast iron jackets. This construction permits directed flow of water for more efficient cooling. The entire cylinder assembly with liner is easily removable without disturbing the cylinder liner water seals. For maximum cooling, the exhaust and intake valves are seated directly in the cylinder head. Cooling water flows from the cylinder jacket to the cylinder head

through accessible outside connections. This eliminates use of grommets and any special gaskets. Also, the design of the cylinder head provides velocity circulation of cooling water around the valve seat areas.

All moving parts of this V-Type engine are pressure lubricated. With this system, rotary type lubricating oil pumps are driven by roller chain from the end of the crankshaft. Oil flows under pressure through strainers, filters and coolers to an oil header located in the bedplate of the engine. From the oil header, individual oil lines lead to each main bearing cap, the gear compartments at each end, the camshaft bearings and the valve levers. Fuel systems on this Nordberg engine are designed for minimum maintenance and best overall efficiency depending upon type of operation. For oil operation, a constant stroke fuel injection pump of the variable cut-off type is mounted on the camshaft housing adjacent to the cylinder it serves. Easily removed fuel nozzle holders are located in the center of the cylinder head and are provided with spring loaded valves and multiple hole tips. For Duafuel operation a hydraulically actuated gas admission valve is mounted in the cylinder head. A similar valve is also employed on the spark ignition engine. In addition two spark plugs are used per cylinder and low tension impulse generators, rectifiers and transformers are used to assure dependable and complete combustion. Hydraulic relay type overspeed and control governors are mounted at the flywheel end of each engine type.

The compact design, wide horsepower range and high efficiency of the Nordberg Supairthermal V-Type engine makes it ideally suited for continuous, economical operation in many stationary power applications and several engines are now on order for pipeline pumping and generating service. The marine diesel engines are available in direct reversing types for direct drive, single or multiple drive through reduction gears with electric or hydraulic couplings or for diesel-electric drive.

Cross section through the Nordberg four-cycle Supairthermal V-Type Diesel engine.



## **\$3,000,000 HOUND HOSPITAL**

Pacific Greyhound's New Maintenance Center in San Francisco Designed to Keep Busses Rolling With Aid of Diesels

By F. HAL HIGGINS

HE \$3,000,000 maintenance center of Pacific Greyhound Lines is ready and operating as smoothly and efficiently as its transportation system. Not only is it the proverbial "last word" in a newly completed structure, but is equipped, manned and managed for service that is keeping GM powered Greyhounds operating over thousands of miles of terrain, carrying millions of passengers on schedule with a minimum of road failures.

One of the intangible qualities of this Greyhound maintenance center that caught the attention of the writer after three visits and interviews with General Superintendent, R. M. Aherns, his assistant, J. B. Rice, Foreman Bruno Felizanetti and Bert Herrick of the machine shop was Aherns' sense of practical perfection. From the top officials down through the ranks of the Center and over at the advertising agency handling Greyhound publicity, the writer had the impression that this new maintenance center was Mr. Aherns' dream come true. Now that the place is ready and running, the writer agrees with plant officials and personnel who have worked with Mr. Aherns that this is a new plant running as it should right from the outset.

Here is the story of Aherns' dream center for Greyhounds as he planned and ordered it executed to a grand total of \$3,000,000 for land, buildings and equipment. Top officials including President F. W. Ackerman commended Mr. Aherns with these words. "Mr. Aherns has been in the transportation business for 40 years and with Pacific Greyhound since it was founded in 1929. Before that he served with one of the predecessor root companies, California Transit Company. He has a fine reputation as a bus builder in his pre-Greyhound days. This new Center fulfills a long cherished dream of Aherns. He has personally supervised its construction and is responsible for conceiving and designing its modern time-saving features which make it such an outstanding plant for servicing the buses for Greyhound and better serving the riding public."

Construction of the Center began in February 1951, and work is completed with the exception of a few finishing touches in progress as this is being written. Barrett & Hilp, prominent in San Francisco building circles, was the general contractor. Architects included: Skidmore, Owings, and Merrill of San Francisco. The center is located on a 825 by 240 foot lot bounded by Seventh, Eighth, Hooper and Irwin streets, San Francisco.

Three shifts of skilled workmen keep the Center operating round the clock in 8-hour periods to service the 1150 Greyhound thusses in operation throughout the United States. It is the newest, largest and most complete of any bus or truck service in the country. "Every square foot of floor space and every piece of equipment in the Greyhound Maintenance Center has been planned and

installed with employee safety and well being in mind," says Mr. Aherns, who knows his men and their problems in working on busses and the engines that power them. The choice of arrangement of machines in the unit dismantling section, unit repair shop and machine shop is a fine example of Aherns superior judgment and planning ability. There is room enough for the 50 to 60

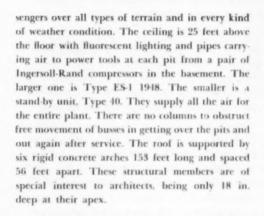


employees at work on the various machines, and no crowding or elbowing to distract one man from his job or endanger his safety. There is a test room where the rebuilt GM diesels are taken in before being sent down to replace an engine out of a bus which is just in for an overhaul; a steam cleaning room for all units, a welding shop and an electrical department, first aid room, locker room, wash rooms, showers and a cafeteria.

One could almost play a football game in the 400 ft. x 153 ft. general service area on the main floor. Here the tired and limping Greyhounds come in for doctoring and grooming before going back on the road ready to carry capacity loads of pas-



Greyhounds over the pits as mechanics work under and behind them. Building seen through far entrance services 550 busses a day, washing and greasing them.



The big floor is quite a sight when all 26 pits are filled, yet one notes how quietly and smoothly the jobs are going on with no confusion. Walking down the line of busses over the pits we see diesel engines being taken out, replaced, tested and one or two men on each are performing practically every check and service job encountered in bus service. We even find a pair of gas engines that have not yet been replaced by diesels. But the trend to diesels that got into full swing with the end of WW II when diesel engine production could get to manufacturers, has proceeded rapidly until the diesel's place is overshadowing.

Each pit is 33 ft. by 3 ft. on the floor with a depth

Landis crankshaft grinder working over a pile of crankshafts. Also in this part of the shop are surface grinders and grinders for cylinder liners.



The machine shop on the second floor is a model of equipment spaced and lighted for comfort and efficiency. Note air hose supplied by Ingersoll-Rand compressor located in basement. Also note ingerso.l and Ya.e hoists.

of 4 ft. 6 in. to permit men to stand upright instead of having to stoop when under the bus. Each pit has its own carbon monoxide fume collector. Ventillation is by an extensive system of exhausting the air. Gas and water lines are in a continuous space at the front end of the pits with a collection system for crankcase oil that is saved and processed for re-use. Another continuous corridor connecting all the pits runs across the rear of the pits as an "escape corridor."

For the motor that must be dismantled a portable crane is used to lift it from the bus and place it on a fork-lift truck. A freight elevator takes it upstairs to the second floor. The motor is re-assembled after all work necessary to put it in 100% order is completed. It is then tested and sent to the stockroom while a new or overhauled motor is put into the bus. The entire job takes from 2 to 3 hours-an indication of what high efficiency of plant, personnel and teamwork has already been achieved in the Greyhound Center. Besides the 26 busses parked for service work over the pits, there is parking space for another 26 Greyhounds on the opposite side of the big floor. There are four Yale hoists over on this side for such lifting as needed on each. And running all over the room on the ceiling and walls are pipes that carry air power. The service building is located just outside the main entrance and between the street entrance for busses and the big general service floor. It is a 140

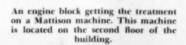
ft. by 75 ft. structure where 550 busses a day are washed and cleaned in automatic wash racks as they are fueled, greased and inspected. A parking lot back of this service building will accommodate up to 100 busses at a time.

The Chief Dispatcher is an important post in the Pacific Greyhound system, just as it is in a transcontinental railroad system. A battery of teletype machines here gives this spot a big city newsroom atmosphere that reflects the nerve center of the system. It schedules Greyhounds traveling over the entire West and also handles the shifting of busses from one area to another as necessary.

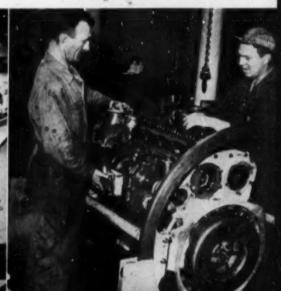
Portland and Los Angeles have other major Greyhound maintenance centers and there are facilities for servicing busses and making minor repairs at 20 lesser points in the seven western states that make up the Pacific Greyhound area. The old Greyhound maintenance center at 17th and Kansas streets has been retained, and is being used for rebuilding and painting busses.

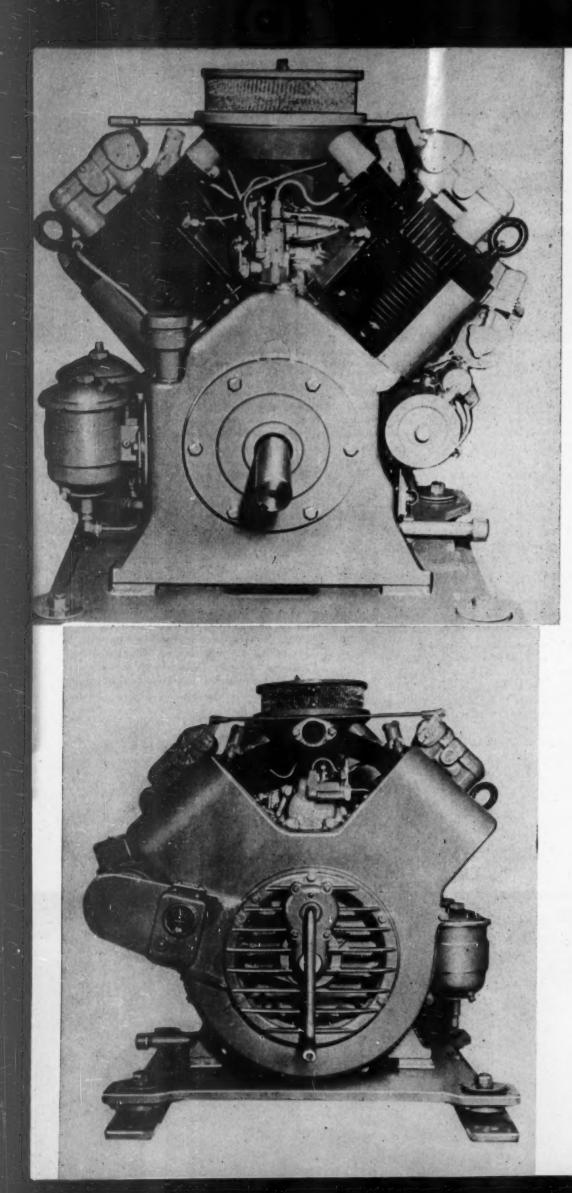
For the present, Pacific Greyhound management believes that it has provided for the immediate and near future in spite of mushrooming populations and new transportation problems arising out of WW II and the post-war era. Problems which center about the increase of population in California, and the general influx of people on the Pacific Coast and in much of the West.

Team of maintenance specialists working on a GM diesel which has come up from the busses being worked over on the first floor. Note cradle for easy turning of work.









# THE NEW HALLETT

PROGRESS, we ran a detailed description of the Hallett aluminum air-cooled diesel which created a lot of attention at that time. Now we bring you a detailed description of the Hallett Twin, a two cylinder, 85° V-type air-cooled, 4 cycle with integral flywheel blower, rated at 13 bhp. continuous at 1800 rpm. Idle speed, 400 rpm., operating speeds 1200 rpm. to 2200 rpm. and with a bore of 3½ in. and a stroke of 3¾ in. The piston displacement is 36.07 cu. in. per cylinder for a total of 72.157 cu. in. for the engine. Cold compression at 300 rpm., 570 psi.

The fuel system is of the Bosch high pressure solid injection with individual injectors and injector pumps, operating from the engine camshaft. The engine comes equipped with AC fuel transfer pump and Purolator our tridge type fuel oil filters.

Any grade of distilled diesel oil or petroleum hydro-carbon having an API gravity of between 26 and 45; cetane No. 36 or better, can be used with this engine. Normal commercial fuels, such as regular diesel fuel, automotive diesel fuel, regular heavy diesel fuel, common kerosene, pearl oil, "Chevro-jet," and JP-4 jet engine fuel may also be used satisfactorily.

The lubrication system is operated with a low pressure gear pump with oil screen, driven from crankshaft gear, fullflow Purolator cartridge type oil filters are used, deluge system to connecting rods and splash to other engine parts; splash feed lubrication to rocker arms and valves through push rod housing. Lube oils which can be dependably used with this engine are U.S. Army Specs. 2-104, B. SAE 30 weight; RPM Delo 30 or equivalent, for normal operating temperature; SAE 10W lubricating oil for operation below 15°F.; crankcase capacity 8 quarts.

The cooling system is by air blast from centrifugal flywheel fan. Flywheel enclosed in cast aluminum directional air shroud with vanes to meter the air to the "hot spots." The crankcase is an all-aluminum alloy casting, having bolted on cast aluminum hand hole cover. Bolted on cast aluminum end bearing plate housing is the Timken main bearing cup. The end bearing plate is interchangeable with end bearing plate adapters for direct connected pumps, generators, gear boxes, clutches, and special mechanisms, as required.

The cylinders are cast individually with integral heads and radiating fins. Casting is of special molybdenum iron. Valve seats and chambers machined in head. Push rod housings are steel tubes pressed permanently into the cylinder casting, preventing any oil leakage. Intake and exhaust connections are flanged to manifolds. Exhaust manifold outlet is fitted with flanged connection to receive 1-11/4 in. NPT.

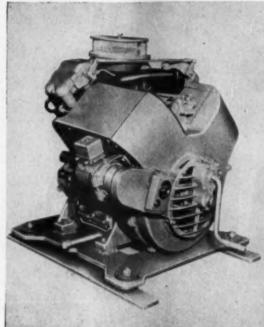
The crankshaft and connecting rod are dropped forged and heat treated SAE No. 4140 molybdenum steel. The two crankshaft main bearings are heavy duty Timken taper rollers 2.5 in. 1.D., 5.119 in. O.D. Connecting rod bearing 2.5 in. diameter, 1.5 in. long, fitted with standard Federal Mogul precision type, steel backed, copper lead faced, tin plated split sleeve inserts. Piston pin bearing special bronze, 1½ in. 1.D. x 1½ in. long.

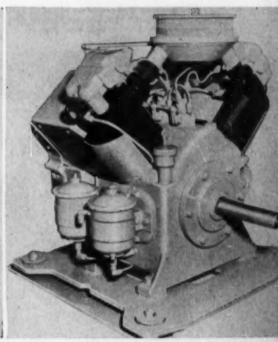
The piston is a permanent mold casting, Alcoa aluminum, heat treated with 4 compression rings and one oil scraper ring. The piston pin is hardened and ground, full floating, 14 in. diameter x 2 31/32 in. long. It is retained by Tru-Arc expansion rings. The camshaft gears are heat treated, cast molybdenum iron, mating with alloy steel crankshaft gear. All gears are shave cut 12 diametrical pitch, 22° pressure angle. The cam-shaft is hardened and ground steel, running in two bronze bushings in crankcase. The valves are high temperature resistant Silchrome steel with extra heavy stems supported in bronze valve guides. Stems are equipped with safety rings. All moving parts of valve and rocker arm mechanism enclosed in cast aluminum housing and positively oiled. Exhaust valve rocker arm is equipped with compression release mechanism.

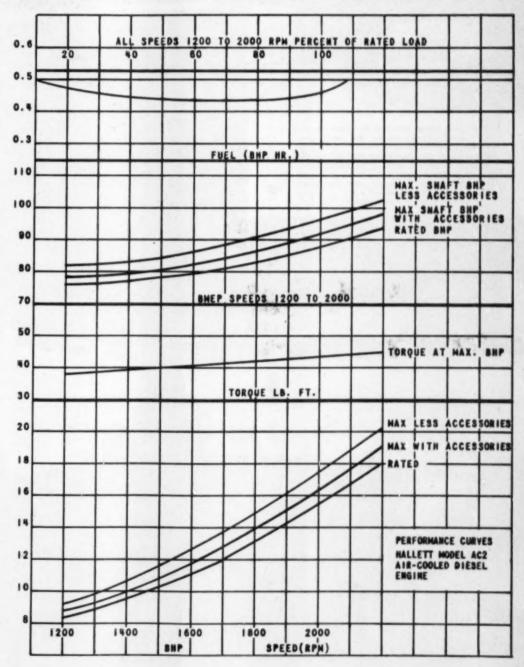
The centrifugal type governor is driven from camshaft gear, completely enclosed in crankcase. Mechanical accuracy provides approximately 3% engine regulation over entire engine speed range.

Starting is by mechanical safety hand crank geared 1-to-2, built into air shroud grille. Standard wick holder starting aid in pre-combustion chamber for cold weather starting. Optional electrical system consists of a 12-volt Auto-Lite automotive type starter with positive ground or ungrounded; belt driven battery charging Auto-Lite generator with charging control and reverse current relay; positive ground only. Optional cold weather starting aid, electric intake air heater in manifold, coupled in series with electric glow plug installed in pre-combustion chamber; automatically operated with starting motor contactor.

The principal dimensions of this compact Hallett Twin are height 25 in.; length 26 in. Power take-off shaft 1¾ in. in diameter; ¾ in. x ¼ in. keyway. Hold down bolt hole centers 15 in. wide, 8¾ in. long. Engine hold down bolts ¾ in. Weight complete with intake air filter, fuel oil and lube oil filter is only 350 lbs. The Electric Auto-Lite Company supply the electric starters and generators, Western Gear Works supply the gears, American Bosch the injection equipment; Thompson Products the valves, Air-Maze the air intake and American Hammered the special piston rings. This is a slick little engine which will find a thousand and one uses in this diesel industry of ours.







The chistening crew consisting of Cap-tain Scott Chotin, Mrs. Joseph Chotin, Captain Jos. Chotin and Mrs. Scott Chotin. Minning. The pilot house which is described in the text is well illustrated by this fine photograph. Plenty of room to operate, every modern piece of equipment now available on the market. At bottom right is the main engine room with the two 1640 Cleveland diesels with Marquette governors and the Briggs filters in the foreground and a pair of Bristol pyrometers above them.



## **NEW TUG FOR JOS. CHOTIN**

The Fifth Boat To Be Constructed For This Famous River Organization Is The Largest And Most Powerful Of Their Fleet

By DOUGLAS SHEARING

Tenn., on February 12 last delivered to the Chotin family the fifth boat to be constructed by them for this famous River Organization. The latest edition is the Jos. Chotin, and is the largest in size and develops the greatest hp. of any boat in their fleet. The earlier Chotins are the Irene Chotin, the Scott Chotin, the Patsy Chotin and the Harry Dyer (named after the president of the Nashville Bridge Company.)

This latest boat off the Nashville ways, whose keel was laid on May 14, 1952, has molded dimensions of 132 ft. x 30 ft. x 10 ft. 6 in. The main engines are a pair of GM 16-278A out of the Cleveland Diesel Shops, each developing 1640 hp. at 750 rpm., and each turning three blade Coolidge Atlantic type steel propellers, 82 ft. x 72 ft. The auxiliary generating plant consists of a pair of GM Model 6-71, 60 kw. generating sets out of the Detroit Diesel Shops. A pair of Gardner-Denver air compressors with Century motors supply the sizeable amount of air required on a big ship of this type. A Blackmer fuel transfer pump, a Briggs fuel oil filter and a Pelham switchboard go to make up the very efficient auxiliary equipment. It might be added that the two main Cleveland Diesel 16 cylinder engines have their shafts turning in SKF spherical roller bearings and Cutless rubber bearings. Two large capacity (ILG) centrifugal vent supply fans and a pair of large DeBothezat vent exhause fans in the stacks keep the engine room and the living quarters comfortable.

In the pilot house, the equipment consists of a modern pilot's console, and RCA ship-to-shore telephone, a Bell Telephone Company radiotelephone, Sperry radar and the Sperry "Pilot." The purpose of the Sperry "Lever Pilot" on a river boat, which device was previously known as a heading holder and has been installed for the first time by the Chotins on one of their boats, is to hold the towboat and its fleet on any straight, predetermined course. It is used in connection with the radar. As the rotation speed of the sweep line on the radarscope is 15 rpm., 4 seconds per sweep are required. During this interval, the tow could swing through quite an arc and could build up momentum requiring large applications of rudder to return the tow to its original heading. When in the automatic position of operating, the Lever Pilot detects even incremental course changes and automatically applies corrective rudder, thus holding the tow on course.

During clear daylight operation, the use of the Pilot permits only the minimum number of rudder applications required to keep the tow on heading. This, of course, prevents oversteering and overshooting; and thereby eliminates waste of forward thrust. Each time the rudder is applied a certain component of the forward thrust is used to swing the boat and tow back to a predetermined heading.

If this number of applications can be reduced to a minimum, efficient steering is obtained. When the control lever is in the bottom position of the horizontal "H", the pilot acts as a full follow-up conventional lever. Power for the rudders is supplied by a pair of Ingersoll-Rand air motors.

discellaneous items of interior equipment on this are new vessel consist of a hot water heating system employing a Severn boiler and Arco radiators; a 15-gallon Wagner electric water heater for portable water system for the galley sink and a larger A. L. Smith Corporation electric water heater for wash water. For the convenience of the crew, two Westinghouse Electric water coolers, one in the lounge and one in the dining room are supplied.

Miscellaneous exterior equipment includes a pair of Carlisle & Finch 19 ft. arc searchlights, whose power is supplied by General Electric selinium rectifiers; a Carlisle & Finch 19 ft. incandescent searchlight; a Kahlenberg Challenger quadruplex air horn; a 10 inch bronze ship's bell; power capstan; a special design rubber towing knees; quick connecting, air-operated Nashville Bridge patented winches. The galley, whose working surfaces are stainless steel, is equipped with a Fowler 25 cu. ft. frozen food cabinet; a Tyler 43 cu. ft. reach-in refrigerator; a Frididaire refrigerator in the dining room; and a Hotpoint electric galley range. Total berth capacity is 20, which includes the two provided for in the guest stateroom on the upper deck.

Under her bright new Choun colors of scarlet and battleship grey, with striking markings of black against a glistening white background, the Jos. Chotin left Nashville on February 12 and worked her way down via the Cumberland, the Ohio, and the Mississippi River to her home port of New Orleans to begin her operation on the great Mississippi River System. Again, the fine combination of the Nashville Bridge Company, the GM Cleveland Division and the Chotins have brought into service a fine example of modern efficient river towing.

## **MAKING NEW HOMES**

By DWIGHT P. ROBISON

three million cubic yard, earthmoving projechas converted the rugged hills above the exclusive Bel Air residential section of Los Angeles into a new and extremely desirable residential area. Known as Bel Air Highlands, the project involved cuts and fills of a size seldom attempted in real estate developments, with the largest single fill in the 850-acre tract amounting to 300,000 cubic yards, with a maximum depth of 42 feet. When earthmoving operations began in 1950, there were no roads other than single-lane fire trails in the area south of Mulholland Drive which follows the crest of the ridges north of Hollywood and Beverly Hills. Contractor E. Steinkamp, Inc., of Los Angeles, the developer of the tract, used International TD-24 crawlers equipped with Bucyrus-Erie bulldozers to pioneer access roads and, wherever possible, these roads were laid out on what would eventually be a permanent street alignment. Pioneering work required the tractors to slice through a ridge composed of shale, sandstone, and fine, sandy soil. All of this work was accomplished without blasting.

Fills were a problem, not only because of the terrain but also because layers and pockets of diatomaceous earth—a water-repellant, siliconized material—made compaction very difficult. The material is so fine and so moisture-resistant that it was almost impossible to get moisture into the particles for compaction purposes. The problem was solved by using 2½-inch quick-coupling pipe and a hose for applying moisture to each fill. On the worst concentrations of diatomaceous earth, a TD-24 was used to pull disk harrows over the material, mixing it with sandy soil. Then, as another TD-24 pulled 40,000-pound sheepsfoot tamping rollers

over the fill, the hose man was on the spot to sprinkle each six-inch layer of fill placed by the tractor-scraper teams. The tractors and tamping rollers then compacted the material. Some compaction was obtained from the rubber tires on the scrapers, and after about eight passes with the sheepsfoot tamping rollers, the job was complete.

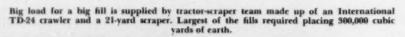
Compaction was constantly checked by technicians as the fill was placed, and in every case the new earthwork tested at a higher rate of compaction (90% of optimum density) than the original soil in place.

Slopes of the fills were treated to give them resistance to erosion which is severe in this region during bad rainstorms. A 3/4 yard Northwest dragline removed the shallow layer of loose earth along the outside slopes, averaging about a foot and a half in depth, and cut the slopes back to solid ground. The slopes were then seeded with California ice-plant or winter rye which require little moisture and which will afford considerable stabilization to the steep fills. City water supply lines were already installed and furnished the necessary water for the plantings. These lines also supplied water for the compaction operations. Steinkamp also provided a cover of good topsoil for the new development. This material was obtained from the canyons running down toward Beverly Hills or the sea which are loaded with topsoil which has eroded from the hills. Roads were cleared into these canyons by TD-24's equipped with Bucyrus-Erie bulldozers, and other tractors with front-end shovels loaded the topsoil into trucks for transport to the new fills.

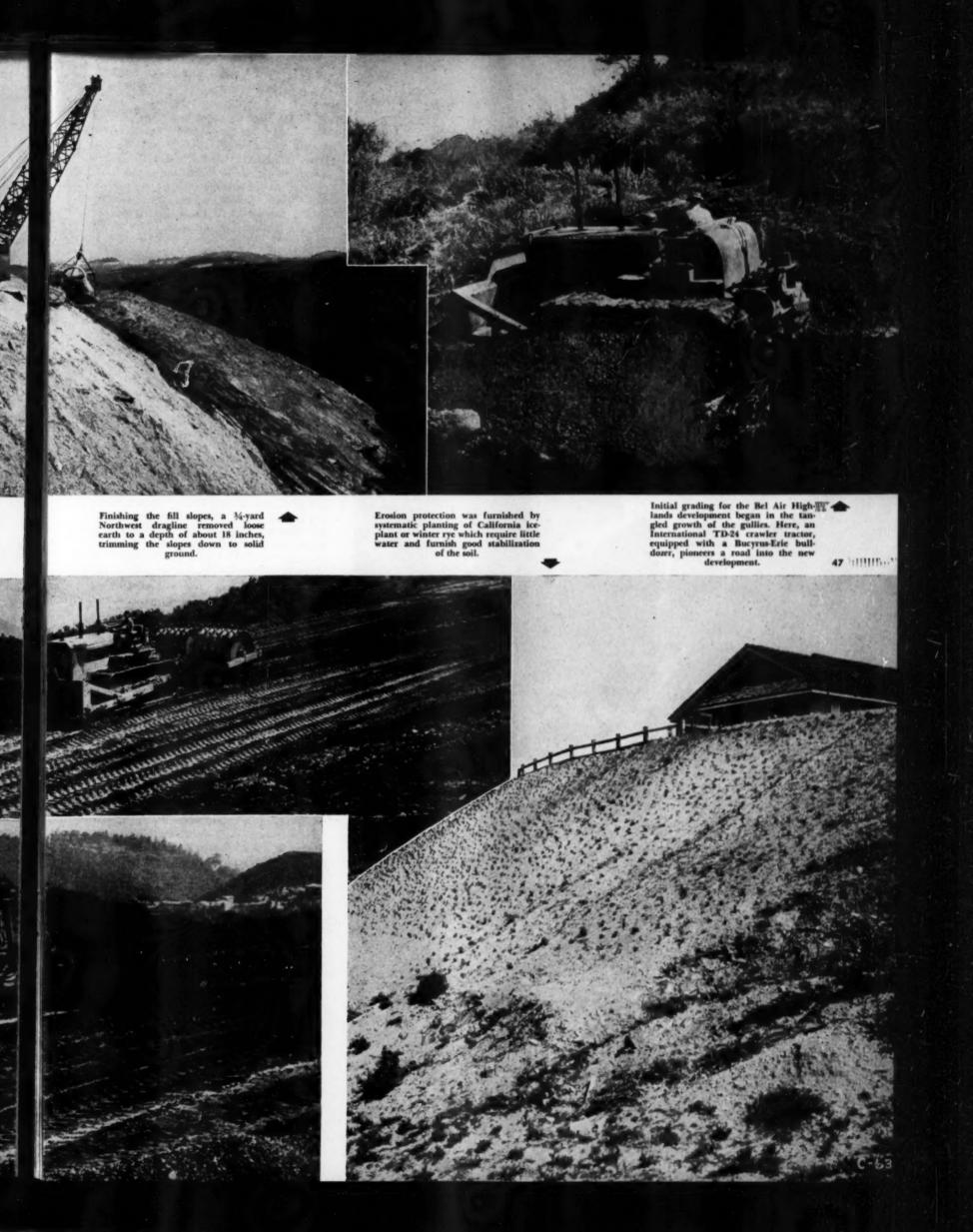


Compacting the fills became a major problem but was solved by applying water to each six-inch layer of fill material. Big International TD-24 crawlers pulling 40,000-pound tamping rollers, attained 90% compaction on the project.

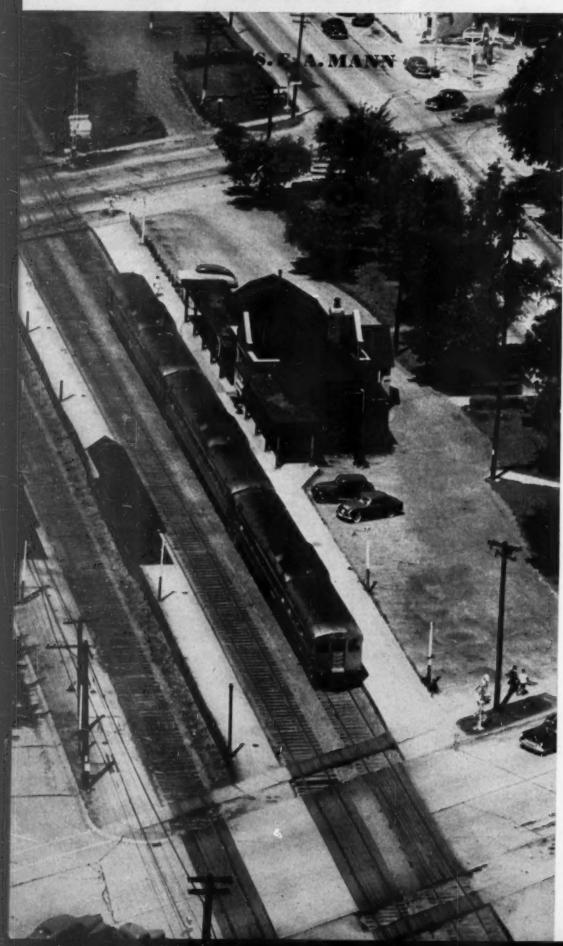








## BUDD DIESEL RAIL CARS SHOW RAPID GAINS



NTIL the ingenious Budd Mfg. Co. of ruiladelphia produced the first successful mouern version of a completely self-contained Diesel railroad car, America lagged far behind Europe in the whole process of winning back traffic to the railroads and chopping expenses on vital "must" railroad services that produced nothing but red ink with conventional locomotive and trailing coach equipment.

In Western Europe where lack of modern highways, high density of population and lack of purchasing power has tended to keep people more attuned to mass-travel on railroads than in the USA or Canada. There are now over \$3,000 selfpropelled railcars of every description, ranging from small lightweight units not much bigger than a bus, to 6 and 8 car diesel units with 3 classes of passenger accommodation. Europe, with its concentration of heavy population centers, low purchasing power and shorter average runs and inbred traditional complexities of economic and social behavior patterns, has evolved a 3-class system of train fares and equipment, far more defined than anywhere else. Its major railroad systems are going in heavily for electrification and high-powered diesel propulsion for the long hauls and intense and widespread interest in research and production of self-propelled railcars is underway in France, Italy, Austria, Eire, Holland, Norway, Germany, Denmark and other areas, with France and Italy leading the way

Sum total object is to cut operating costs, increase frequency and speed of service without increasing total expenses and make railway travel so fast, attractive and cheap it will directly compete with highway and air. As pointed out by Stanley Berge in his new study of the subject, "Self-Propelled Diesel Cars and Multiple-Unit Trains," this complex European development that is so far ahead of America points to the conclusion that runs that can carry average loads of 400 on runs up to 100 miles, the self propelled multiple unit railcar can earn far greater profits or reduce far more proportionately inescapable losses, toward zero, or even convert red ink marginal runs to black ink profit runs.

The defeatest attitude held by most American rail "system's toward short or medium haul passenger mail and express operations for the past 25 years can be best illustrated by the cold fact that the failure of early distillate burning railcars left such a bad taste by their slow speed, uninviting appeal to passengers, frequent mechanical breakdowns, etc., that today there are fewer than 300 operated around the U.S.A. The whole idea died simply because American railcars were merely shortened versions of the most unpopular part of railroading-the branchline jerkwater locals that helped mightily to turn the public to short, fast, cheap bus travel which, in many cases, took the mail sacks along, too. They carried an originally bad rail operation down to worse, and finally, in most cases, to oblivion.

> Three-car Chicago and Northwestern RR commuter RDC's operating as a single train.

Briefly, the Budd people have created in their RDC railcars a modern, deluxe type of multiple unit subway car suitable for every mile of U. S. and Canadian railroads, either as separate cars that operate like a street car in either direction from either end, or in whole trains. By standardizing on 3 types of 85 ft. passenger cars, altered only by the length of the baggage-mail-express compartments, and a single 73 ft. heavy-duty all-express-baggage mail car unit, Budd brings mass production to a field absolutely neglected since H. L. Hamilton quit building distallate burning railcars and founded Electromotive Corporation, more than 25 years ago.

All the things Budd has pioneered are found in the RDC's:-disc braking for fast, smooth stops with no wheel wear or flat spots; spotwelded stainless steel construction for long-range durability and economical maintenance; novel new approaches to interior layout, lighting, air conditioning and soundproofing. Mechanically, it has adopted the one major type of small diesel power plant that is in widest mass-production for its power range, the Detroit Diesel GM 6-110 engine with cylinders tilted to within 20 degrees of being totally flat, to fit neatly below the floor of the car. And with it the GM's Allison torque converter to permit smooth, rapid accelleration: Frigidaire air conditioning and the automotivesuccessful spicer drive. By having twin identical power plants the danger of failure to make schedules is eliminated as a single power unit will bring the car to terminal at better than 65% of sched-

Thus the whole RDC idea is a beautiful example of a product that can be cheaply mass produced; simply maintained by inexperienced people; sold "off the shelf" from a phone call to the factory, and adaptable enough for the stoppingest local branchline run or the fastest heavily travelled commuter run out of metropolitan terminals. The rugged simplicity of subway cars has been carried into the car heating plant, where automatic thermostatic controls permit use of waste engine heat to keep passengers comfortable; and the auxiliary generators, like on a truck, handle all the electric load automatically.

A railroader's dream, the cars have a very high power to weight ratio that permits acceleration above 1.1 miles per second which automatically permits operation at reduced throttle at normal cruising speeds. The torque converter drive saves cost, weight and bulk. Power application permits truck swing up to 23 degrees, and operation on the sharpest yard curves or switches, safe and easy. The mechanical layout with power plant entirely under the car floor and air intake, exhaust and cooling radiators in a central dome on the roof, gives 100% interior utilization and up to 90 passenger capacity, including toilet space, if needed. Thus a single American company has boldly walked in and within three years completely conquered a railroad field long considered a dead duck. From the time when the first Budd demonstrator car started touring U.S. railroads in the middle of 1949, it proved a sensation. By late 1952 more than 80 were sold to U.S. and foreign railroads, most of them repeat orders from customers who gingerly bought one or two with



The GM Detroit diesel Model 6-110. 275 hp. with Allison torque converter as used in the Budd RDC railcars.

fingers crossed. From the beginning the RDC's went on the toughest, most obnoxious runs, financially and operating wise, in the same strange pattern the first diesel freight locomotives were assigned. The railroads simply dared the Budd cars to make good! Since December, 1952, four of the original customers have ordered 38 more to be delivered in 1953, including a big order for 30 for the New Haven, America's largest passenger carrier (percentagewise to total annual gross income), where they have proved the most sensational new business getter to ever hit the nation's busiest passenger carrier.

The prime factors on a crowded line like the New Haven show up the inherent characteristics of the Budd cars to great advantage. Acceleration up to 44 miles speed in 60 seconds fully loaded; speeds up to 85 mph. on level grade; 62 mph. on 1% grade; 42 mph. on 2% and 28 mph. on 3% grades make an ideal combination for fast mainline work, then off up a rolling branch. Operating on tight schedules make the normal complete engine changeout of 2 hours flat a perfect answer for morning and evening commuter runs. A trained Budd shop crew has changed out engines in 70 minutes! No pits. No tables. No fancy tools. As of December, 1952, the original RDC demon-

strator car had run nearly 120,000 miles on the nation's major railroads. Ownership is widespread among 11 U.S. and 3 foreign systems as shown by Table A.

The uses by customer railroads and the operating results are as varied and startling as the simplicity. popularity and economy of the whole RDC idea. They were such an instant and astounding success on the New Haven, that by the end of 1953 there will be 45 RDC's in service on that one road. Branches that have not seen a passenger train for 25 years now show a profit from the day RDC's started service on their "Shoreliner" fleet as they are all termed on the New Haven. The Company, by deftly getting back travel from the buses, showed a gain of 11/4 million commuters in 6 months, and passenger revenues reached 41% of the New Haven's gross income! By the end of March, the New Haven had 40 "Shoreliners" in operation, which will release 16 diesel locomotives. 3 gas railcars, 46 coaches, 9 mail cars, 9 baggage cars, the 3-car Comet streamliner and another 3-car articulated train. The Company figures 1,925,000 miles of passenger service per year is a potential or actual Shoreliner operation with RDC's. Already 52.9% of this mileage is RDC operated. Statistics show on the New Haven that

The entire fleet of 12 RDC's on the Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore Lines. They are hooked together as one train and are split up into 2-car trains along separate routes.





Changing the engines on an RDC. Normal change can be made in two hours without pits or complicated tools.

operating costs have been cut 50%. When the Fall timetable came out the New Haven showed fifty new schedules due to the RDC Shoreliner cars making runs that did not exist before possible, or former dead loss runs profitable! Thrifty New Englanders are leaving their cars at home and leaving the buses and the crowded highways, in droves. A large percentage are women travellers on mid-day runs that heretofore never thought of using a railroad.

The New York Central's "Beeliner" fleet of 15 trains generally follows the same pattern in heavily populated or suburban type zone operation. Contrasting this is the 924 mile Oakland-Salt Lake City run on the Western Pacific, three round trips per week by two cars, to reduce a strictly red ink operation in the high, dry lonely Nevada-Utah desert country and in the sand-clogged Saudi Arabian run between Dammam to Riyadh, 352 miles. The New York Central shows savings on displacing 5 steam passenger trains with RDC cars of \$218,683 every three months. Twelve

Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore lines RDC's, operating in a fan-wise cycle, starting at Camden as a 6 car train and winding up at Wildwood, Cape May and Ocean City as three 2-car trains, chopped operating costs so this white elephant line now almost runs in the black. It is one of America's most profitless passenger lines, that cost \$2.475 per train mile with steam trains, reduced to .708 per car mile with RDC's, and 100% availability.

No contrast-picture of the RDC landslide is complete without a look at what the Santa Fe has done. The Santa Fe has long been Budd's biggest passenger car customer, having been the first U.S. railroad to break away from the Pullman-built sleeping car monopoly. Faced with some of the toughest highway and airline competition on the continent on its 129 mile Los Angeles-San Diego line, Santa Fe has long operated the popular San Diegan streamliners, notable Budd-built trains of diesel and stainless steel. Last May they added a 2-car RDC train on two round trips per



The Western Pacific's RDC "Zephyr ette" on its 925 mile Salt Lake City to Oakland run. Two of these cars maintain regular schedules between those cities.

## TABLE A

The following table shows the delivery of Budd RDC's to March 15th. Acceptance of the cars is in-

ternational with deliveries being made as far away as Australia and Saudi Arabia.

### RDC DELIVERIES TO MARCH 15, 1953

		RDC Type			
Railroad	1	2	3	4	Total
Boston & Maine	. 4	**	2	••	6
Baltimore & Ohio	. 5		**	**	. 5
Chicago & Northwestern	. 2	1	00	09	3
Commonwealth Railways of Australia	. 3	40	00	0.0	3
Consolidated Railroads of Cuba	. 11	5	**	0.0	16
Duluth, Missabe & Iron Range Railway	n \ 0000	110	1	24	- 1
Lehigh Valley	. 1	1	**		2
New York Central	. 16	1	3	1	20
New York, New Haven & Hartford	. 29	2	6	3	40
New York, Susquehanna & Western	. 4	**	**	**	4
Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore Lines	. 12	00	60	60	12
Santa Fe	. 2	00		49	2
Saudi-Arabian Railway		3	60	00	3
Western Pacific		2	99	0.9	2
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One of Pennsylvania-Reading Seashore Lines RR RDC's at a passenger stop along its route.





Below, Top: Two-car RDC train on the Lehigh Valley Railroad. Bottom: Santa Fe's recently acquired RDC's which provide fast 2¼ hour service between Los Angeles and San Diego.





day, frankly an experimental run to study possible future applications at other points on their big network. The big interest is the non-stop commuter run which leaves San Diego at 7:15 A.M. and gets to Los Angeles in 2 hrs. and 15 min., remarkable considering grade crossings, the big hill outside San Diego and the Los Angeles terminal congestion. In spite of an average passenger fare of only 1.82 cents per mile, the train is earning 41 cents per mile operating profit on two daily round trips! The second round trip is slower, with 3 regular and 6 flag stops. The Commuter RDC leaves Los Angeles at 4:20 P.M. daily, so a San Diegan can put in a full business day and be home for dinner.

It is increasingly obvious that as the nation's highways grow more congested and the population spreads in ever widening circles, whole new areas of cheap, fast passenger transportation are again opening up to the railroads. Spearheading the back to the rails trend now developing, and the long-last realization by the public that fares have got to produce a net gain for the railroads, instead of a charitable contribution required by law to some nasty old railroad they are forced to ride on, the RDC idea obviously is more than another new piece of equipment. It is a whole new concept of railroad travel and operation at the exact opposite scale of the 18 car deluxe, once a day super streamliners and the 125 car transcontinental diesel freight train. It is the happy gadfly that caters to the whims of passengers, mail and express. Most of the mail now being diverted to trucks can go back to the rails if five daily RDC schedules are run instead of one or two slow steam trains.

Costing about \$180,000 each, delivered, the RDC is now piling up, as a combined fleet, over 500,000 miles per day. Ducking around and by, the heavy trains, it fits into CTC operation perfectly, on single track lines. It can even be neutralized to run as a passenger car in any size standard train, then unhook and run a branch line schedule the rest of the way under its own power! Its potentialities with axle loads of less than 34,000 lbs. on 65 lb. branches that are too light for even a modern diesel locomotive, are startling.

Coverdale and Colpitts issued a statistical cost breakdown on the Budd RDC cars late in October. Briefly, this famed firm found that by impartial

survey, the Budd cars ran from \$1.1498 per mile, including fixed expense (insurance, depreciation, interest, etc.) way down to .5550 per mile, with a single exception. One railroad showed \$2.0263 per mile because it only ran 64 miles; paid a 3-man crew for 11 hours to run the 64 miles and loaded expenses with inspection costs based on time rather than mileage. Fuel consumption averages 21/2 miles per gallon for all purposes, including heating, lighting and air conditioning. Repair costs per mile varied from a low of 7.66 cents to 45.90 cents per car mile. Disregarding the 3 highest and the 3 lowest, the remaining 9 systems turned up in the range of 17.01 to 30.44 cents or an average for all 15 systems which includes the highest and the lowest range, of 21.22 cents per mile. For the entire group of participating railroads, operating RDC pools with from 36,000 to 120,000 miles per car per year, the grand total average showed the RDC cars cost .7960 per mile to operate, for everything.

Great hope for the future lies in the train crews consenting to stop loading the cars down with excess manpower. If they'll do that, the total employment for them will double. Fewer men per car will increase total manpower employment as a cold matter of economic fact. Vivid example of this, and one which all U.S. railroads are watching, is actually in process on the New Haven.

It has kept its promise to the Brotherhoods that if the Budd cars will actually bring back traffic to the railroad, once considered lost forever, and they won't make the Budd cars uneconomic to run by loading them with too much manpower, the company will add more cars and more jobs at a far faster ratio than it will if labor costs are going to strangle the otherwise economic operation from the start.

The mechanical side of the Railcar operation has been gloriously fixed by Budd, and it is already a proved success. Now the labor forces and the travelling public hold the key to its success entirely in their hands. For our readers who want to study the whole railcar development in both America and Europe, we suggest you get a copy of Professor Stanley Berge's latest book, by writing him at the Northwestern University School of Commerce, Chicago, Ill., enclosing \$1. His survey brings the whole subject up to date and gives the total world-picture from every angle.

## DELANO, MINNESOTA

## CIVIL DEFENSE

By T. J. MALONE

HEN a surprise flood, in April of 1952, threatened to shut down the municipal power plant in Delano, Minnesota, a village of 1400, one lone engine in the battery of five diesels was able to keep going. It saved the situation, meeting all demands for energy through 111 hours of continuous operation. As told by Plant Superintendent Al Weihe, the battle for the plant is quite a story. The Crow River flows right past the plant's

nothing with the exhaust pits. Fortunately, there was one engine with overhead exhaust venting into a silencer high above ground level. The air intake system here is also overhead.

The plant's five engines, all Fairbanks-Morse have a combined capacity of 3740 hp., 2596 kw., and had generated 4,093,000 kw. hr. in 1951. Fortunately, in the emergency, it was the newest and most

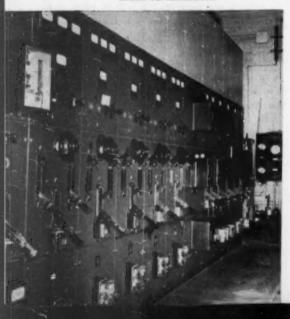
eration only 459 kw. hr. as against the OP's hourly average of 638 kw. hr. in the eight months it had run in 1951. It didn't have to work as hard either. Its running load factor for the four and five-eighth days was 40 percent as compared with 56.2 percent for eight months of 1951. Sandbagging? Half a hundred men and boys in Delano groan today when they think of it. Some of them worked on pay - police, fire department men, the plant crew - but the rest were volunteers for the cause. Men worked day and night. Some snatched a few hours of sleep, now and then, in the plant building. The plant embankment gave way Saturday night but fast work plugged the break. Community teamwork did it. Delano's first electricity was purchased from a transmission-line utility. The village in-



Height of the flood. The power plant building, original structure and three additions is shown in photo.

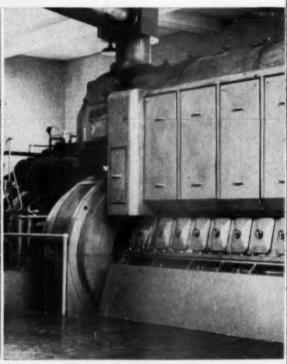
side yard. A small stream known to go nearly dry in summer, and which had never risen so high before, flooded all the downtown section of the village, seeped into the plant basement, filled the pits into which the exhaust pipes from four of the five engines, lead, and put the engines out of business. Emergency pumping safeguarded auxiliary equipment in the basement but could do

The switchboard-14 panels and a double bus installation.



powerful unit that was in a position to run. Installed just a year before, it is a 10-cylinder, 1600hp. at 720 rpm., 1138 kw. opposed-piston diesel and proceeded to turn out the full plant demand for the period of crisis. It assured to all in Delano, without interruption, the baby's milk, dad's morning toast and coffee, mother's Monday wash and Tuesday's ironing, lighting in home, street and office, power for machines, radio, TV. The plant's peak load in 1951 was 1165 kw. compared with the OP's rated capacity of 1136 kw. Could the OP meet the challenge? There was never any doubt about it, for similar engines have successfully carried emergency overloads in countless marine, rail and stationary installations, in peace and war. What was a little overloading when hundreds of people were counting on this one engine, many of them overloaded too and working day and night in sandbagging that plant building against the swirling menace!

Actually, the diesel was not called on for overload service. With much of the town under water, homes upset, business disorganized, the demand for current was below normal. The peak in the period of one-engine operation was 900 kw., the hourly gen-



The Fairbanks-Morse 10-cylinder, OP diesel that, alone, kept the Delano

stalled the diesel plant in 1931 with three small F-M engines, of two, three and four cylinders. The first engine was retired in 1951 when the opposed-piston unit went in. The compact new engine, though far more powerful, was erected on the foundation of the old one. A 6-cylinder, 450-hp. unit was added in 1939 and a 6-cylinder, 1200-hp. in 1946. The rated kw. capacities of the five engines run: 136 - 184 - 300 - 840 - 1136.

Replacement of the smallest engine by the largest raised the plant's net capacity by 1048 kw. without any expansion of the building. Against the new capacity of 2596 kw., the 1951 peak indicated a plant reserve of more than 100 percent. Gross production in 1940, 1,321,600 kw. hr., was at an average of 10.96 kw. hr. to a gallon of fuel oil. The fuel cost per kw. hr. of generation that year was 5.93 mills. (Those were the days!) In 1951, engine efficiency was much improved but higher fuel cost pushed the average per kw. hr. to 8.9 mills. The plant is using a light crude oil for which it was paying, in July, 1952, 10.7 cents a gallon, and finds it quite satisfactory. The only treatment of the crude is to pass it through a Sentinel filter. In the five years, 1947-1951, generation rose from

2,825,000 to 4,093,900 kw. hr., average number of kw. hr. per gallon of fuel oil from 11.88 to 12.69. Of 1951's gross generation, 3,371,929 kw. hr. were sold to consumers, through 861 meters. The breakdown by kw. hr. was: residential, 802,980; commercial light, 285,845; power, 1,604,546; water heaters, 678,578.

A granite works, the leading industry, uses most of the industrial power sold, a total of 1,279,858 kw. hr. in 1951. The rest goes to 45 other customers, including a creamery, two feed mills, a printing company and a locker plant. The large consumption of the granite works and the nature of its load present an unusual problem to the municipal power plant. Processing granite is a tough job. It

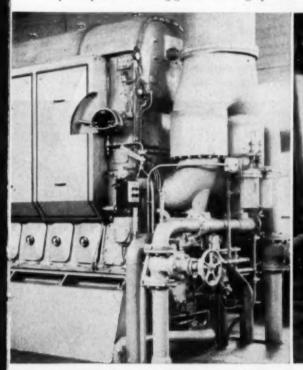
diesel period began with a distribution system having a book value of \$12,000 and with a cash surplus of \$3,000, and no debt. Valuation of the electric plant, operated on a pay-as-you-earn basis, on December 31, 1951, was \$500,079, without depreciation. This was overall, embracing land, building, light and heavy machinery, other equipment and distribution system. A total of \$477,448 in revenue bonds had been issued in the twenty years of operation. Plant earnings had retired \$262,448 and there were \$215,000 outstanding. The 1951 annual statement declared that the total value of services furnished free since the plant was in operation came to \$70,427. The services included street and other lighting, and water used for fires, skating rink, flushing hydrants, leaks and losses. Total

List of Equipment

Engines—One 1600-hp., 10-cylinder, 2-cycle, 720 rpm. Model 38D8 opposed-piston diesel. One 1200-hp., 6-cylinder, 2-cycle, 300 rpm. Model 33F16 diesel. One 450-hp., 6-cylinder, 2-cycle, 300 rpm. Model 32E diesel. One 280-hp., 4-cylinder, 2-cycle, 300 rpm. Model 32D14 diesel. One 210-hp., 3-cylinder, 2-cycle, 300 rpm. Model 32D14. All Fairbanks, Morse & Co.

Alternators—One 1136-kw. with 10-kw. belted exciter. One 840-kw. with 15-kw. belted exciter. One 300-kw. with 10-kw. belted exciter. One 184-kw. with 7½-kw. belted exciter. One 136-kw. with 7½-kw. belted exciter, All Fairbanks, Morse.

Governors-Woodward. Fuel oil filter-Sentinel.



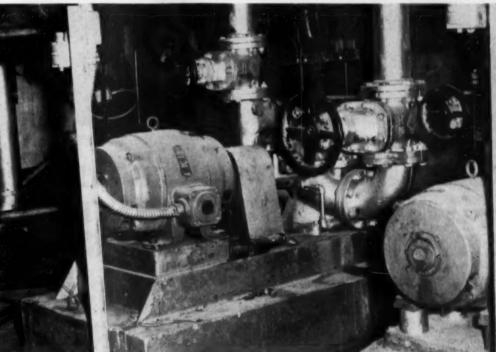
municipal plant operating when the flood hit.

calls for high power and entails sudden and extreme changes of load. The granite plant has a 300-hp. motor, several motors of 100 hp. and a number of fifties. The uneven load keeps the municipal plant's running load factor low. The better to serve this unique demand, the switchboard at the municipal plant has a double bus installation, a power bus and a regular municipal bus, so that any unit of the plant may be used on either bus independently. Performance of each engine in the year 1951 is shown in the following summary. The 1600-hp. unit was in service for eight months, May-December:

		Running load		Hours	Kw. hr.
Unit		factor %	Kw. hr.	Operated	per gal
*1600 h	p.	56.2	1,541,600	2416	13.35
210 h	p.	57.3	228,200	2948	11.11
280 h	p.	74.7	271,100	1982	12.94
450 h	p.	53.2	617,200	3893	11.77
1200 h	p.	53.7	1,434,200	3199	12.67
Totals		.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	4,093,900		12.69

\* This engine went into service in May, 1951.

How has the municipal plant done financially? The



View of the two Fairbanks-Morse circulating pumps which are installed in the Delano Municipal power generating plant.

sales in 1951 were given as \$96,984 and operating profit, before depreciation, as \$33,399. Net profit, after depreciation of \$15,036 and other adjustments, was \$17,129.96. A commission of three members operates the electric plant and the water department. Harry Kuka and C. N. Lundsten have served since 1938. L. J. Rieder is the third member. Alvin C. Weihe has been with the plant from the beginning and its superintendent since 1934.

Though the flood experience cost the municipal plant some thousands of dollars in physical damage, there was a profit side to it all. Many a community finds itself only when under stress. People get better acquainted in meeting a common problem: gain a clearer sense of values. Most Delano citizens had probably taken the municipal plant for granted, not seeing it as the central and key industry of the community. The threat to the plant jolted them into realization of how much their daily lives - their comforts and necessities - depended on it. How many families had any home standbys on hand against failure of electric service - an oil lamp or a candle, a wood or an oil stove? One never misses electric current until its source is threatened. Now, how they love the power plant.

Air filters—American Air Filter.
Fuel oil meters—Pittsburgh Equitable Meter.
Lubricating oil—Standard Oil Company, Indiana.
Lube reclaimers—Briggs and Hilliard.
Lube oil cooler—Ross.
Cooling towers—Two. Diesel Service Co.
Snubbers—Burgess-Manning.
Pyrometers—Alnor.

A 20-hp. F-M pump in the water department at Delano.





22-ton rear dump Euclids operating in the Iron Range of Minnesota. They are powered by 240 hp. Buda diesels.

## TORQUE CONVERTER AND TRANSMISSION DRIVE IN OFF-HIGHWAY TRUCKS

By ALAN S. McCLIMON\*

SEVEN years ago Euclid pioneered the application of torque converters to heavy duty, off-the-highway earthmoving operations. Today there can be no doubt that the converter driven earthmover has established its "place in the sun." These brief but revealing seven years have spotlighted the advantages to be gained. They have more clearly brought into focus the role the torque converter driven unit is destined to play in future operations and to point the way towards those specific applications where it is best suited.

During the past year the acceptance of the torque converter moved ahead by leaps and bounds. In the Minnesota Iron Range, where some 1,300 large offthe-highway trucks are operating, there were only 45 torque driven trucks as of May, 1951. Yet, during 1952, almost 200 converter equipped trucks of all makes and sizes were placed in service. In the copper mining area of the Southwest, there are now 76 units or about one third of the 173 trucks operating in 10 major mines. Approximately 20% of all Euclids built during 1952 were converter equipped. The figure doubtlessly will increase for 1953. During 1952, the 22-ton torque converter driven reardump truck lead the field for torque equipped units shipped, accounting for approximately 42% of shipments in this size. It has a 300 hp. Cummins engine with Allison 600 series torque converter

and 600 series torquatic transmission. This year it will also be offered with a 275 hp. GM engine.

Compared with the same truck equipped with a standard 10 speed transmission, the Cummins 22ton torque converter truck selling for \$32,550, costs \$2,420 more or about 8%. On a write-off period of 15,000 hours, the higher original investment amounts to 16 cents per hour. To this five cents should be added for interest and other higher fixed charges and an average of fourteen cents for added fuel consumption which is 10 to 25% higher. Converter make-up oil adds another ten cents per hour. These added costs total \$.45 per hour of operation, exclusive of any maintenance differences between the converter and mechanical transmission systems. On those specific hauls where the converter "fits," these costs are readily outweighed by the increased production achieved. But even on hauls where there is no productive gain, converters have been applied, and found to have other benefits and advantages. Several such applications are found in the midwest bituminous coal fields where they are used on fairly level hauls of 3 to 4 miles.

A Mesabi Iron Range installation provides the following comparison of converter and transmission equipped operation on 2200 ft. of 8% grade. Two trucks were equipped with 300 hp. Cummins engines. Schneider 17-in. converters and 5-speed transmissions. Two similar units had a conventional clutch and 5-speed transmission. Production cycle times were as follows:

	Torque Converter	Transmission	
Load	2.56 Min.	2.56 Min.	
Haul, total			
2400 ft.	4.53 Av. 6 mph.	4.98 Av. 5.5 mph.	
Dump	1.00	.90	
Return			
Empty	2.4 Av. 11.4 mph.	2.67 Av. 10 mph.	
Delay	1.72	1.72	
Total Cycle			
Time	12.21 Min.	12.83 Min.	
Trips per 50 Min. Hr.	4.1	3.9	
Tons per			
Hour	90	86	
Fuel cons.,			
avg.	5 Gal. per Hour	4 Gal. per Hour	
Gals. of fuel			
per trip	1.2	1.03	

On this job study, the converter unit shows 5% more tons hauled. Note the average haul speeds of



Twin-power scraper driven by two 190 hp. GM Detroit Diesel engines on a highway job in North Carolina.

6 mph. versus 5.5 mph. loaded. This is typical of the increased performance on haul roads having variable road rolling resistance and grades. The converter automatically adjusts torque output and speed to meet operating requirements. Other installations have resulted in 10% to 15% production increases.

Inherent in the problem of operating over variable grades is the human element. Drivers have a difficult time keeping a conventional transmission in its most effective operating gear range throughout the day. An example is found in a copper ore stripping operation in Arizona. A record was kept of gear shifting a 22-ton truck with transmission, and a converter equipped 34-ton truck. Transmission shift comparison: 22 ton truck with 5-speed mechanical transmission; 34 ton truck, twin power, with converters and torquatic transmission:

Number of Gear Shifts Performed
22-Ton Truck 34-Ton Truck
533 Ft. of 7.8% Grade 5 1
555 Ft. of 9.7% Grade 6 1

<sup>\*</sup>Mgr., Sales Development, The Euclid Road Machinery Company, Cleveland 17, Ohio.

2640 Ft. of 9.7% Grade 1320 Ft. of 3.6% Grade 2112 Ft. of 3.0% Grade 2 (Upshift) Total number gear shifts on 7300 Ft. Haul

The transmission unit averages two gear shifts per minute for a 7.9 minute total haul time. While the transmission may theoretically have an advantage in certain applications, at the same time there is the element of driver comfort which favors the converter. The several hundred clutch disengagement and gear shifting operations, that a driver must make in trucks using standard transmissions are eliminated in converter equipped units.

Let us compare a 15-ton, 22-ton mechanical transmission truck and 34-ton torque converter truck, all operating on a .9 mile haul of average 5% upgrade in an operation in the Western United States. The three units were loaded under the same shovel. hauled over the same road, and dumped in the same area. Haul roads were well maintained and



3 50-ton rear-dump truck with two ate 300 hp. Cummins diesels oper ating at Fort Randall Dam.

wide enough for two-way traffic. Calculated performance was as follows:

Mph. possible on 5% grade:

34 Ton 15 Ton 22 Ton 8%@9.5 mph. 6%@10 mph 5%@10 mph. 3rd gear 3rd gear Pounds of gross weight per net hp.: 347 415 450 Actual field performance showed this: 34 Ton 22 Ton 15 Ton Loaded hauling 4.26 Min. 4.70 Min. 5.51 Min. time Average travel 12.6 mph. 11.5 mph. 9.8 mph.

Based on pounds of gross weight per net horsepower, we would expect better performance for the 15 ton and 22 ton trucks. However, in this instance, the 5% grade requirement did not match the transmission gear splits in the 22 ton and 15 ton trucks. In consequence, on this haul, the 34 ton truck had faster average travel speed. It is interesting to note that all trucks had a speed of 91/2 or

10 mph. on a 5% grade, yet the 34 ton truck had a faster average hauling speed by 28% and 91/2% over the other units. This indicates again that the torque converter, with its automatic adjustment to the grades, roads and loads, is a definite factor in obtaining higher production.

To resolve the question of twin power maintenance by actual field experience, four different combinations were placed in service. The first combination known as the 1FFD, used two GMC 190 hp. engines and twin-Allison converters and Allison Transmissions. The second combination, the 2FFD, used one 400 hp. diesel, a two-plate clutch, a ten speed-transmission and power divider transferring power to the tandem axles. The third combination, the 3FFD, used a 400 hp. engine, a 17-in. single stage converter, two-plate clutch, five-speed transmission and power divider. The fourth combination, the 4FFD used two Cummins engines of 200 hp, each and the twin Allison converters and twin transmissions, similar to the 1FFD.

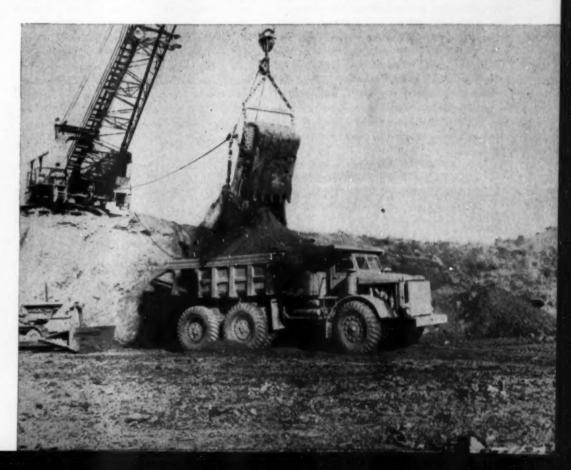
The single engine truck with converter represented an 11% higher initial investment than the twin engine truck, using two smaller engines of the same engine manufacturer. If we compare converter powered trucks directly, we see there are two engines, two converters, and two transmissions in the twin design; a total of six-but there are only three different types of components.

Thus, servicing these three different components and the matter of parts supply and parts availability is somewhat simplified. In the case of the converter-equipped single engine truck, there is one engine, one converter, one clutch, one transmission, and one transfer case; a total of five different components. But the question is not only "one engine versus two." It is also a question of converter and transmission developed to match each other, and capable of absorbing 400 hp. or more. Such components have not yet been in evidence. In addition, the twin components are those which

are in high volume production. The cost of each component and its parts cost is considerably lower. For example, one engine manufacturer provides 400 hp. in a single engine at a list price of \$10,000. Equivalent horsepower in two smaller engines of 20 hp. each totals only \$7600. While, of course, this condition may change as improvements continue to take place in off-highway equipment, at the present stage of development, it appears that the twin power idea is economically sound. It has fewer 'growing pains" because it uses existing proven components.

This twin power idea has been carried to its next logical development by using two engines of 300 hp. each and torque converter drives in a 50-ton rear dump Euclid. Twenty of these are now working at Fort Randall Dam, one of the major earth fill dams on the Missouri River. As equipment gets larger, it is important to properly balance the loading equipment with the haulage equipment. These 50 ton trucks are teamed with 11 cubic yard Marion shovels. The trucks average 16 mph. overall on a 3.8 mile cycle, including loading and all delays. Top speed is 38 mph. Field tests indicate that it can out-produce the 34 ton truck by about 45% when balanced with shovels in the 8 to 11 yard class.

The torque converter and semi-automatic transmission can be teamed with the twin engine idea to produce units having an engine powering a front drive axle, and a second engine powering a rear, or trailing axle. The 1947 model twin-power bottom dump is used in levee building on the Mississippi, and has been used in the lowland sandy areas of New Jersey Turnpike construction. It can plow through soft bottom land where the single drive axle unit does not have sufficient traction. On the Jersey Turnpike, the contractor teamed up one twin power bottom dump to operate with each four conventional bottom dumps. In soft sandy soil, the twin power machine was used to push out the other units, and thus maintain high production in difficult going.



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Twin-power scraper powered by two 190 hp. GM Detroit Diesel engines driving through Allison torque converters and semi-automatic transmissions. It is stockpiling coal at Avon Lake. Ohio.

In one mine with "average to severe" conditions, differential life averaged 6570 hours. In another with "extremely severe conditions," differential life averaged about one fourth as much. Nickel alloy steels normally used in differential gearing have not been available for these units. Such steels would increase fatigue failure some 50 to 75%. This creates problems, of course, to attempt to isolate the question of differential life. Generally speaking: I. On average to severe hauls, differential life with converter drive is higher than with transmission. 2. On extremely severe hauls, with high sustained torque loadings, differential life may be considerably less.

It has been the custom to define engine life in terms of hours of operation, yet in its proper application, the torque converter units do more work per operating hour than the conventional transmission unit. Thus, comparison of engine life in hours, is not completely relative. In our experience, there have been few cases where a direct comparison over a long period of time has been possible. where all other variable factors have been standardized to isolate the differences due to the converter versus the mechanical transmission type alone. The matter of engine life has also been complicated due to the different sizes and types of hauling units which Euclid has manufactured. For example, during the period 1946 through 1951, the 190 hp. GM engine was used very successfully in the 15 ton four-wheel rear-dump truck and in the 13 yard tractor-trailer bottom-dump, both using a five speed mechanical transmission. However, when two of the same engines were used with torque converters in a 34 ton rear-dump truck, it was found

that engine life, in terms of hours, was drastically reduced to perhaps 50% as much. Actually with converter, the maximum output of the engine was being more fully utilized within each operating hour.

Thus, in the use of the GM 190 hp. engine, we could not directly compare engine hours of life with and without converter because there were so many other variables involved—different equipment, different application, different severity of service. There is reason to suspect that engine life with converter will be better, as there is less possibility of overspeeding the engine and practically no possibility of destructive lugging. Engine rpm. at stall speed is about 1700 rpm. This is well above the 1200 to 1500 rpm. range where long periods of operation under full load may be detrimental to engine life.

In June of 1951, the first deliveries were made of a 22 ton rear-dump truck using a 300 hp. Cummins engine (NHRS supercharged) and an Allison torque converter with torquatic transmission. These first trucks are just beginning to accumulate enough hours so that some comparison can be made of engine life with the same type of truck utilizing a ten speed Fuller transmission. On the first converter truck of this type delivered, the engine has been torn down at 5400 hours for inspection. A large earth-moving contractor using 22 ton trucks with and without converters reports as follows: Engine Life: up to 5000 hrs. accumulated on two converter units about 1 year old. These were field conversions. Average engine life before major overhaul is 4000 hrs in gear drive trucks. Transmission and Clutch Life: the two converter and hydraulic transmission units are in 500 hr. mark, with minor maintenance.

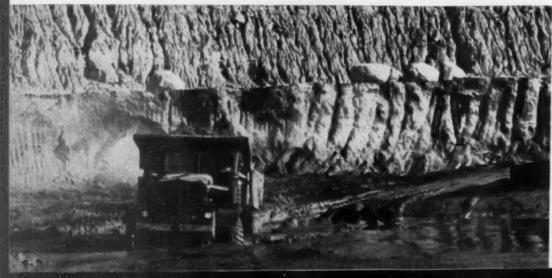
Average on mechanical drive within 5000 hrs. period would be about 3 clutch overhauls and two mechanical gear transmission overhauls. On 4 new trucks with converters delivered June, 1952, 2200 hrs. have been accumulated with no shop maintenance required. On past experience these trucks would have had at least one clutch overhaul and would be due for transmission overhaul. Thus we see engine hour figures are still being accumulated, with a trend showing that engine life is longer in operating hours. There is definite indication that the engine with the converter is doing more work within each working hour when compared with the transmission set-up.

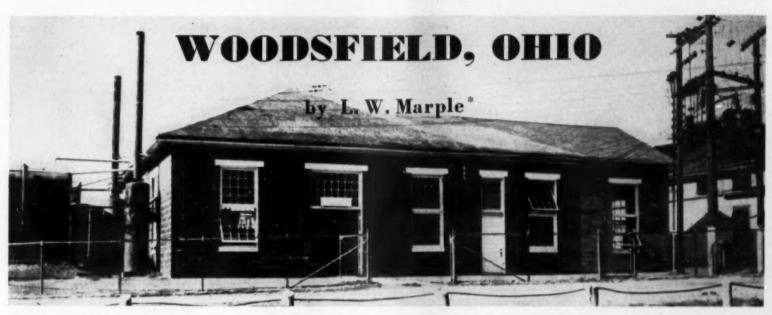
The Allison transmission is used in all standard production converter type Euclids. Average repair parts costs shows \$500 at one installation. Another job averages \$450 overhaul price per transmission, not including labor. From July, 1949 to March, 1952, average transmission life at this latter operation shows 4040 hours. Actually, the present day average is much higher than this figure would indicate. This operator reports that since pressure gauges were installed on transmission and converter, and heat gauges were installed, converter and transmission maintenance has been cut 50% to 70%. Drivers watch the gauges to prevent oil overheating at converter stall. This results in greatly prolonged seal life. Converter oil pressures are maintained which prevents excessive cavitation. Also, the transmission disc type friction clutches have adequate oil pressure behind them to prevent slipping.

The human element is a polite expression covering the problems and production losses through incorrect handling of off-highway trucks and equipment. Idle equipment is an expensive proposition in equipment worth \$30,000 to \$70,000 per unit. In some areas of the country, this problem is so acute that it even overshadows any matter of economics. For example, an operator may apply for a job at a certain mine. His first question is "Do your trucks have torque converters?" If the answer is "No," he looks for employment elsewhere. At the outbreak of the Korean war, a survey was made of manpower requirements at the Minensota Iron Mining Company and it was found that one of the places where women could replace men was in the operation of the massive 34 ton capacity torque converter drive mining trucks. This work was physically within the capabilities of women, due to torque converters and power steering.

In summary, the converter is here to stay. It fits deep pit hauls, having variable grades. Matched with the hydraulically actuated semi-automatic transmission it shows better driver practices and reduced maintenance vs. the conventional clutch for severe hauls. Because of its lower investment and lower fuel costs on level hauls or fixed grades, the mechanical transmission will still find a proper application. As manufacturers, Euclid is continuing to provide both types, but sales indicate a strong upward trend toward converters in those models where a choice is offered.

A 34-ton rear -dump truck working on the Iron Range of Minnesota. This unit is powered by either two 200 hp. Cummins or two 190 hp. GM Detroit Diesel engines.





OODSFIELD, Ohio, has cut fuel costs in half by installing a dual-fuel diesel in its municipal electric plant. The new unit is a National Supply Superior; Model 80, 14½x20, 8-cylinder, dual-fuel engine capable of developing 875 horsepower at 327 rpm., direct connected to a 600-kw. generator. Major fuel is natural gas supplemented with 10% diesel oil for ignition. Woodsfield was in the electrical utility business long before 1920 when a steam engine driven generator served the village power requirements. At that time, the small community was not completely wired for lighting, and power was supplied only from 6 A.M. until 8 P.M. each day.

Subsequent to 1920, promotion of electrical appliances for household use became active and electricity consumption increased rapidly. With peak loads steadily rising, the original generating equipment was soon out dated and plans were promptly drawn up for a power plant having greater generating capacity. Thus, in 1922 two 200-hp., semi-diesel engines were installed; each one direct connected to a 136-kw. generator. Then

\*Plant Superintendent

in 1935, a third unit, a 350-hp., open-head type full diesel direct connected to a 235-kw. generator was installed. After operating with this equipment for ten years, the village officials investigated the community requirements and decided on replacing the two semi-diesels with full diesels having more power and a higher efficiency. In 1946 one of them was replaced with a 300-hp., "Backflow" type diesel engine direct connected to a 200-kw. generator, and in 1947 the second was replaced with a similar unit.

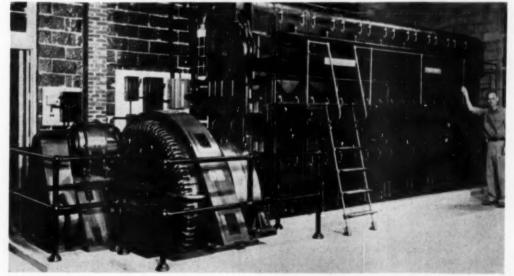
The load continued to grow from both residential consumers and small industries served by the plant. Three feed mills require about 155 kw., while the water purification plant operates motors of 75 and 50 hp. respectively, and the sewage disposal plant has a load of 20 hp. The peak demands in 1922 amounted to about 100 kw. for which the two 136-kw. units were installed. By 1934, and again in 1945, the demand exceeded the plant's safe capability (allowing a capacity equal to the largest unit for reserve) and expansion followed. The same situation again existed in 1948 and by the latter part of 1949 all of the units were operated over the peaks, which ranged from 520 to 560 kw. Any form of failure in the

equipment meant a power loss to at least half of the town as the plant distribution system operates on two circuits.

Faced with these steadily increasing demands, the town purchased the Superior dual-fuel diesel in 1950 and had it in operation the latter part of December of the same year. It can burn either oil or natural gas with equal facility and efficiency and develops the same horsepower rating on either fuel. Fundamentally, the engine simply substitutes a portion of gaseous fuel mixed with air for a corresponding amount of liquid fuel and continues to operate on the diesel cycle with compression ignition.

At the present time, the Superior carries the entire load during the day from 9 A.M. until 11 P.M., and two of the 200-kw. units handle the night load, which averages about 170 kw. In the past, when one of the industrial plants came on the line, lights would dim throughout the community, but since the new unit was put into operation the oncoming loads are picked up without disturbing system voltage. Gas is purchased at 37 cents per thousand cubic feet and latest figures indicate the engine operates at about 4.8 mills per kw. (3/5 load), whereas the older engines operate on straight diesel oil at a cost of 9.5 mills per kw. (3/4 load). These figures readily indicate that the new engine operates at exactly one-half the cost of the older units, a tremendous saving for the community.

## The latest addition to the Woodsfield muncipal plant, this Superior diesel develops 875 hp. at 327 rpm. It is direct connected to a 600 kw. generator.



## List of Equipment

Dual-Fuel Diesel-National Supply Company.
Generator-Elliot.
Governor-Woodward.
Silencers, Intake and Exhaust-Maxim.
Injection Pumps-Scintilla.
Fuel Oil-Standard Oil Co.
Transfer Pumps-Roper.
Fuel Meters-Buffalo Meter.
Fuel Oil Filters-Purolator.
Lube Oil Filters-Fram.
Oil Cooler-Ross.
Air Filters-Air-Maze.
Air Compressor-Quincy.
Exhaust Pyrometer-Alnor.



From left to right: E. K. Davison, Miss Willa Jean Davison who christened the vessel, H. T. Pott, Mrs. E. K. Davison, Mrs. H. T. Pott.

The twin screw, 800 hp. towboat J. K. Davison. She is powered by two 400 hp. Caterpillar engines and is 86 ft. long with a draft of 6 ft.

## **MOTOR VESSEL "J. K. DAVISON"**

INNING acclaim at every river port between St. Louis and Pittsburgh, the new towboat J. K. Davison was recently delivered by the St. Louis Shipbuilding & Steel Co. to J. K. Davison & Bro. in Pittsburgh. Designed and built for the sand and gravel trade in the Pittsburgh area, the J. K. Davison is the biggest little boat afloat. Although only 86 feet in length, the new vessel has many features of a much larger boat. Miss Willa Jean Davison, 11 year old daughter of E. K. Davison, christened the new boat on Saturday, November 8th, at St. Louis, before a large gathering including a contingent of visitors from Pittsburgh. Following the christening festivities, the J. K. Davison was delivered to Pittsburgh, making

stops at Huntington, Louisville, and Point Pleasant. Visitors at each of these ports were favorably impressed by the performance and fine layout of the new boat.

The J. K. Davison is 86 feet in length with a beam of 26 feet and a normal draft of 6 ft. Propulsion is provided by two Caterpillar Model D397 diesel engines, each rated at 400 hp. at 1200 rpm. The 66-in. diameter four bladed cast steel propellers turn at 300 rpm. The installation of Kort nozzles and Contraguide rudders gives the J. K. Davison 30% greater pushing power. The all welded steel hull is constructed on the longitudinal and transverse framing system. From the modified scow bow there

is an easy flow of water to the two well rounded tunnels. The bottom and sides are A in. thick plate, while the bilge strakes, forward rake plating and tunnels are 3/4 in. thick. The J. K. Davison is built to the highest classification for River Service of the American Bureau of Shipping.

The Caterpillar main engines are Model D397 each 400 hp. at 1200 rpm., 12 cylinder, V-type, 5¾-in. bore and 8-in. stroke, fitted with a 4:1 ratio Falk reverse and reduction gear. The engines are controlled from the pilot house by means of the new Caterpillar pneumatic controls. The main engine jacket water is cooled by circulating through the Standard St. Louis Ship skin cooling system. Elec-

tric power is provided by two (2) Caterpillar model D318 generator sets, each 40 km., 220 volt, 3 phase, 60 cycle. The switchboard for control and distribution of power was manufactured by the Pelham Electric Co. A Gould's fire and bilge pump is driven by a 7½ hp. Century Electric Co. motor with Cutler Hammer controls. Two Gardner-Denver air compressors provide air for engine starting, controls and air whistle. There are two independent steering systems of the St. Louis Ship standard hydraulic follow-up type. One system actuates the two Contraguide rudders, and the other actuates the four backing rudders.

The J. K. Davison contains the latest in river navigation equipment and fittings. The pilot house console contains the main engine controls, steering levers, tachometers and gauges. The radio-telephone and radar sets were manufactured by the Radiomarine Corporation of America. The search-lights, which are controlled from within the pilot house are each Carlisle and Finch 14 in. Arc, 25 amp. The air whistle is an 8 in. triplex Kahlenberg



The lower engine room of the J. K. Davison showing one of the Cater-pillar diesels.

Pilot house showing control stand. Engineered by Caterpillar, it consists of a Westinghouse Air Brake control in the pilot house with Caterpillar control in the engine room and Wagner Electric Company relay valves, etc.

View in machinery room showing Caterpillar generating sets and Pelham switchboard.

Bros. Model T3. From the fine performance already shown, the *J. K. Davison* should give its owners many years of dependable service.

#### List of Equipment

Main engines-Caterpillar Tractor Co., Model D397, 12 cylinder, V-type, 5¼-in. bore by 8-in. stroke, each rated 400 hp. at 1200 rpm.

Exhaust silencer-Burgess-Manning.

Tachometers and Magnetos-Weston Electric Co.
Pilot house engine controls-Caterpillar Tractor,
pneumatic type.

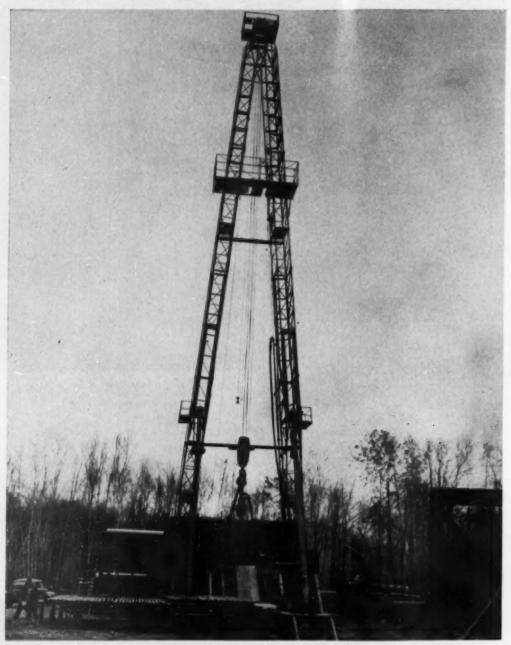
Air compressors—Gardner-Denver driven by 8 hp. Century Electric Co. motors with Cutler-Hammer controls.

Auxiliary generator sets—Caterpillar Tractor Co., Model D318, each 40 kw., 220 volt, 3 phase, 60 cycle.

Generator exhaust silencers—Burgess-Manning. Generator starting batteries—Goulds.



## "MAKING HOLE" FASTER



Drilling rig of Keta Oil and Gas Co., largest of seven rotary rigs now drilling for natural gas in the vicinity of Renovo, Pa. The Ideal type 75CB rig brought in its first well, 7034 ft. deep, in 31 days. Mast is 133 ft. high.

R. E. Willington, Stanton, Texas, driller for Keta Oil and Gas Co. near the controls of the Ideal Type rig in Driftwood Field, near Kenova, Pa.

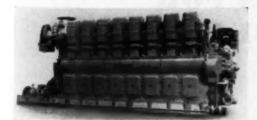


A N "invasion" of Pennsylvania by rotary drilling rigs is being watched with interest by oil and gas drillers. The event is significant because the eastern United States has been dominated by the older cable tool drilling method ever since Col. E. L. Drake and Capt. Billy Smith brought in the world's first oil well near Titusville, Pa., in 1859. Rotary drilling, which first came into prominence at Spindletop, in Texas, in 1901, is now world predominant, but eastern drillers have preferred cable tools for getting through the hard rock formations of their area.

Seven rotary rigs are now drilling for natural gas near Renovo, Pa., in an area where approximately 70 cable tool rigs are operating. In some cases, the two methods are teaming up, with cable tools being used to penetrate the hard top, of approximately 3,000 feet, after which a rotary rig takes over for the rest of the approximately 7,000 feet required. In other cases, the rotaries start at the surface. Noble Drilling Co. moved in the first rotary rig near Sonestown, Pa., about two years ago. It was a National Supply Type 100. Delta Drilling Co. then shipped in an Ideal Type 50, which had previously been used in Michigan and Kentucky. It has already drilled a number of producing wells, with such success that Delta now has three rotaries in the area. Delta's experience prompted other drillers to bring in rotaries.

Largest of the rotaries in the area is a National Supply Ideal Type 75CB rig completely air operated with Parkersburg 40 in. hydromatic brake and Foster cat heads, operated by Keta Oil and Gas Co. J. H. Minyard, of Midland, Texas, the tool pusher, is quite proud of his new outfit, which, on its first hole, brought in a 11/2 million cubic foot producing well at 7034 feet. Drilling with the rotary took 31 days. The Keta rig started its second hole at State Tract D, in the Driftwood field, a mountain top location about 13 miles south of Driftwood, Pa. In 24 days, the rig had drilled to 5,345 feet. It had made 40 "round trips," for changing bits, at an average time of 21/2 hours per round trip. It has had no "down time" except for changing connections.

In between jobs, the 133 foot drilling mast, about as tall as a ten story building, had to be lowered and partially dismantled. With the draw works, the engines, three Waukesha LRZ-6, gas and butane, one to power the standby C-250 pump, and all other equipment it was put on trucks and hauled up twisting gravel roads to its new location, in a clearing surrounded by tall white birch trees. Within a few days it was set up and drilling again. The Ideal rig and the Ideal slush pumps are powered by three gas engines. Much of the related equipment, including the rotary, kelly, hook block, and swivel and wire line anchor, is of National Supply make. Spang double seal shrink thread 41/2 in. drill pipe is used, with Ideal 61/4 in. collars. Because of the hard rock formation, no casing was required, but 95% in. surface pipe was used. Most of the equipment was made, and all of it was furnished, by The National Supply Co. National Supply recently opened a store at Renovo in order to make parts and equipment readily available to drillers in the area.



The most powerful diesel-driven fire boat ever designed is being built for the City of New York by John H. Mathis Company at their Camden, New Jersey yards. Naval architects John H. Wells, of New York, working under the direction of New York Public Works Commissioner, Frederick H. Zurmuhlen, and in cooperation with Fire Commissioner Jacob Grumet, have incorporated the most advanced fire fighting developments into the new boat at a cost of approximately one and one-half million dollars.

The new 129-foot boat is to be powered with two Enterprise DMG-38 diesel engines, rated at 1000 bhp at 425 rpm. These turbocharged engines drive twin propellers raised in a modified tunnel stern which permits the fire boat to operate in the shallow bay waters, but still qualify as a sea-going vessel measuring up to the civil defense requirements. Even if run around, the new boat is designed with sufficient power to pull free without damage to hull or propellers. Unique in the design of fire boats is the separate pumping facility of the New York boat. Two additional Enterprise diesels (DSG-316) supply 1000 bhp. each at 600 rpm. This 2000 hp. will permit pumping 14,000 gallons of water per minute at a nozzle pressure of 150 pounds and still enable the fire boat to have full propulsion power for maneuvering during fire fighting. Another outstanding design feature of the New York fire boats is direct pilot-house control of the main propulsion engines. The Enterprise single-lever control permits direct control of the propulsion engines for ahead, astern and at any rpm. Similar hydraulic units for remote engine control can be installed at other points if it is later deemed desirable.

Deputy Fire Chief John L. Holian was instrumental in the development of the most modern in fire fighting gear, including six monitors, one on the bow, two forward on the pilot house, one ahead of the funnel mounted on a 53-foot tower with two aft of the funnel. The six monitors plus sixteen hose connections are capable of simultaneous operation at full pressure . . . all the while with full mobile power from the separate Enterprise propulsion engines. Also supervised by Chief Holian was the development of special pneumatic tools, chemical apparatus, floats and towing gear for fighting any kind of harbor or ocean fire. The powerful fire boat can function as a tug or tow boat when required so that vessels can be pushed or towed out of danger to or from others. The communication system including the latest radar, telephones, radio, loudspeakers, electronic navigation instruments and other electrical appliances are all supplied power from a 240-120 volt alternating-current system.



PROTECTED by Nugent pilot fuel oil filtering, the Fairbanks-Morse 1600 H.P. dual-fuel engine illustrated is establishing a "record" for dependable, economical service at the Wells, Minnesota Power Plant. Formerly a straight diesel, this opposed-piston engine was converted to dual-fuel operation in 1951 and in the next eleven months \$19,000 was shaved off the fuel bill. This unit is one of the first Fairbanks-Morse opposed-piston engines ever to be converted to dual fuel operation.

By keeping the vital pilot fuel oil free from dangerous foreign material, the Nugent #1R Duplex fuel oil filter is a direct aid in the efficient operation of this engine. By actual test on other engines, Nugent filters remove particles as small as a few microns that might otherwise block the fuel injector or accelerate wear and tear on the engine.

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Offering more effective filtering at lower cost, Nugent filters are available in a complete range of sizes and types to meet every need. They utilize inexpensive bag type cartridges having 20 times the filtering area of other filters of comparable size. And remember, Nugent filtering means 99.8% clean oil. Write for descriptive bulletin. Send an outline of your filtering requirements for specific recommendations.



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# TWO NEW FIREBOATS FOR THE CITY OF LONG BEACH

THE latest in the long line of Alden-designed dieselized fireboats is for the City of Long Beach, California, and is illustrated by the accompanying drawings and the following description. For its size, this fireboat will yield the largest output of water per dollar of investment of any existing fireboat in the country, and the low unit cost permits a municipality to have two small boats for the price of one large boat; thus, providing greater flexibility of waterfront coverage. The principal particulars of these boats are: Length, overall, 58′ 5½″: Beam over guards, 17′ 2½″; draft, 5′ 10″. Construction of hull and house to be of welded steel.

Two dual purpose General Motors Series 6-110 diesel engines serve to propel the boats, as well as to drive through Rockford clutches, two 2250

gpm bronze fitted DeLaval two-stage 10/8 fire pumps for a total pumping capacity of 4500 gpm at 150 psi. The major fire fighting components of these boats are: two 2000 gpm monitors, one fitted with a foam adaptor, twelve  $2 \cdot 1/2$ " hose outlets, four fitted to foam system. All hose outlets have individual Barton pressurators and Hale quick-acting shut-off valves. Two turntable Wirt & Knox hose reels, each with a capacity of 1000 feet of 21/2" fire hose, are located on the after deck providing compact, yet easily accessible hose stowage.

All adjustments for speed of boat and output of pumps can be made from the pilot house. In addition to the high water output, these boats can produce, from 500 gallons of 3% foam concentrate, 165,000 cubic feet of foam for fire fighting in twenty-three minutes through the use of a simple

foam proportioner installation. The closing of an isolation valve allows the foam system to operate through the forward four hose outlets and one monitor, concurrently with water output through the aft eight hose outlets and one monitor.

Williams-Hager spring check valves are installed on the suction side of each pump for the purpose of maintaining a prime at all times, regardless of any trim condition of the boat. A secondary emergency priming system is also provided together with a special fresh water flushing system. The entire fire piping system is of wrought iron. The ship service fire fighting is composed of four 50 lb. CO-2 bottles, two of which lead to the fuel tank compartment and have automatic control. The remaining two bottles are piped to a portable manual CO-2 horn with an extension hose.

Electrical installation is composed of a U. S. Motors 3 kw 115 volt ac. single phase marine diesel generator set for ship service when away from the dock and a shore connection for 115 volts when at the dock. The switchboard includes a transfer switch for shunting the power from the shore line to the ship's generator. No living quarters are provided for on these two boats. A portable transom berth is fitted in the deckhouse for emergency use, and a toilet is installed in the engine room. All other facilities are ashore.

#### List of Equipment

Main engines-Two GM Detroit Diesel Model

Generators—U. S. Motors 3 kw. 115 volt, single phase.

Batteries-Willard Battery Co.

Bearings-E. J. Willis Co.

Bilge Pump-Jabsco Pump Co.

Compass-Wilfred O. White & Sons.

Controls-Adel Instrument Co.

Fire Extinguishers-CO-TWO Fire Equipment Co.

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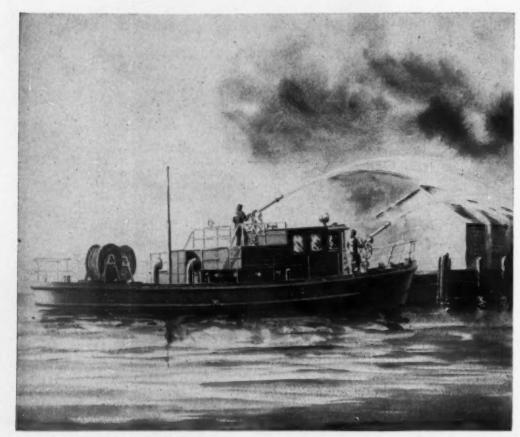
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Windlass-Albina Engine & Machine Works.

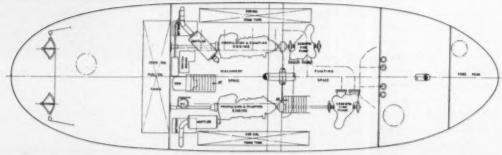
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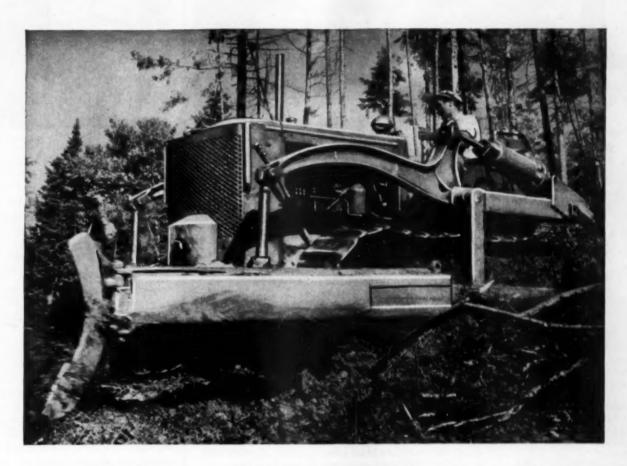
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Artist's drawing of one of the Alden designed dieselized fire-boats for the City of Long Beach.

Below Deck Arrangement of the dieselized fire-boats for the City of Long Beach. Note the compact machinery arrangement.







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### **National Supply Appointments**





Charles K. Olsen, Jr.

Robert M. Pearson



been named manager of sales for the Engine Division of The National Supply Company, located at Springfield, Ohio, in a series of advancements within the Division that have just been announced.

Charles K. Olson, Jr., has

Philip W. Place

He had been assistant general manager of the

Division since November, 1951. Other advancements are: Robert M. Pearson, for the past ten years manager of sales, has been named manager-Inland Marine Sales for the Engine Division. He will have his headquarters in Pittsburgh, Pa. Mr. Pearson has been with National Supply for seventeen years. Philip W. Place, formerly staff assistant to the general manager, has been named assistant to the manager of sales, with responsibility for general service. He has been with the Engine Division since 1941, and has held a number of engineering positions within the Division during that time. J. H. Newton, who joined National Supply in 1948, and who since then has had increasingly important functions as Applications Engineer for the Engine Division, has been named Staff Assistant to Manager of Sales.

#### Inner-Fin Oil Coolers



The Heat-X-Changer Co. of Brewster, N. Y. has introduced a new line of inner-fin oil coolers. Use of longitudinal inner-fins makes possible a more com-

The Inner-Fin Feature. pact unit than has been possible previously. The oil flows through the patented Heat-X inner-fins, which provide generous surface for cooling with minimum pressure drop. Various models are suitable for oil side pressures up to 250 psi. and temperatures up to 300°F. Water side is suitable for pressures up to 150 psi.

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## **Inland River Reports**

By David I. Day

THE Superior-powered tug Dixie, long flying the flag of the C. J. Dick Towing Co., Houston, Tex., is now the property of the Sabine Transportation Company, Port Arthur, Tex., and has been renamed the *Thor*. The tug, well-known along the canals and the various rivers is a one-engine pusher rated at 1320 hp.

WE WERE glad to see recently the new 1400-hp. Vulcan of the Jones & Laughlin Steel Company working with standard coal tows on the Mononga hela River. The boat is powered with twin Superior diesel engines.

OFFICIALS of the firm of J. K. Davison & Bro., in Pittsburgh were lavish in praise of the new St. Louis ship built towboat called J. K. Davison noted pushing a standard 8-barge sand and gravel tow. "Performing far beyond expectations," was the concensus of comment. Her 800 hp. Caterpillar engines, Kort nozzles, and Contraguide rudders are evidently functioning in fine shape.

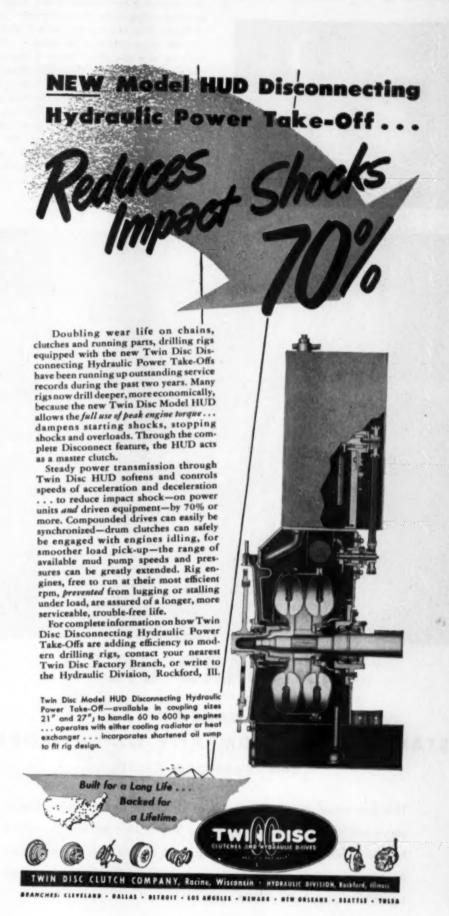
OUR compliments to the *Liberty* of the Union Barge Line, Pittsburgh. She is one of the fastest and most dependable boats in operation at this time. She has twin General Motors diesels and was originally the *Johnny Walker*. When seen she had a mixed tow of seven barges of scrap, oil, coal, and fluorspar, pushing along also for full measure nine or ten empties.

THE Tow Sawyer of the Federal Barge Line fleet made the first pay-load trip up the Missouri River this spring with a mixed tow for Kansas City. She was built in 1933 at Midland, Pa., but is still a smooth-running work boat. She develops 1180 hp. with twin McIntosh & Seymour diesel engines.

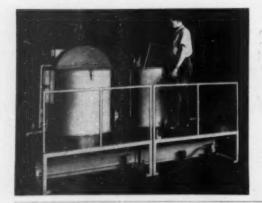
THE last 30 days has not been a period of large tows on any of the rivers visited. The biggest observed at close range was on the upper Ohio, pushed by the Neville of the Union Barge Line, 16 loaded barges of steel mostly, with a big flock of empties. It was a most impressive sight from the vantage point of a river bridge. The boat is 18 years old, built by Dravo, but her General Motors engines have been in use only since 1948. The boat is rated at only 1740 hp.

THE Cornelius Kroll oil tows from Houston to the upper Ohio are being brought by three fine tugs. The Percheron with a 900 hp. General Motors engine works in the canals and lower Mississippi, the Suffolk works the lower Ohio and part of the Mississippi using two General Motors engines (1800 hp.) and the Seneca is on the upper Ohio, using twin Cooper-Bessemers (1200 hp.). The Seneca is the converted steamer called the W. M. Rees and has been on the rivers 40 years.

NORMAN ELLIS, Chicago, in the South on business wrote in late April of his delight in seeing the old-timer Chas. W. Snider, owned by Pure Oil Co. She has three Cooper-Bessemers rated at over 1500 hp. Mr. Ellis took a picture of the Snider approaching the landing at Greenville, Miss.



#### Filter Washing and Oiling Machine



Mechanical application of the new semi-fluid an filter coatings is now completely and satisfactorily solved, according to the Paxton-Mitchell Company of Omaha, Nebraska, manufacturers of filter washing and oiling machines. Shipment of the first machines of a new design which it claims offers the utmost in cleaning and oiling efficiency, is now being made by the Omaha railway supply and equipment firm. The new machines are designed to be used as companion units-one being the washing machine, which functions somewhat like an automatic clothes washer-the other is the oiler, which operates on an automatic cycle, applying the coating material at a controlled temperature in the correct amount recommended for greatest filtering efficiency.

Application of the new semi-fluid coatings had previously presented special problems due to their heavy consistency. Under earlier application methods, it was necessary to heat the material and pour it over the filters or dip the filters into hot solution and then extract the excess by spinning. Paxton-Mitchell engineers claim that this new oiler achieves the desired results doing the job quickly and automatically. Aside from the fact that the new oiling unit provides for application of any type of coating, including the semi-fluids, the manufacturer says that possibly the most important feature is the cycling system which operates automatically, applying precisely the specified amount of coating on each filter treated, then shutting itself off. All the operator has to do is load the machine, push a button to start and then unload the filters when the machine stops. This is said to eliminate the chance for error on the part of the operator in applying too much or too little coating on the filters. The cleaning cycle of the washer is manually controlled. This permits the operator the necessary lattitude for the degree of washing required to get the filters thoroughly clean.

Dubbed the filter "Twins" by the manufacturer, the two machines are said to be complete, packaged units which let one man do the entire job of cleaning, drying and oiling standard size, permanent-type air filters at high speed and with a quality of cleaning and oiling performance never before possible by other methods. Centrifugal force, combined with the cleaning and oiling cycles of the washer and oiler machines does the work quickly and efficiently, it is claimed, so that each filter comes out thoroughly cleaned and with the amount of coating specified by the manufacturers of the coating material. In addition to greatly reducing the cost of maintaining air filters, the manufacturer asserts that with the new washer and oiler installed at each filter service point, the need for keeping large inventories of filters is thus eliminated since the filters may be cleaned and oiled and immeriately returned to the locomotive or car. Additional information is available by writing Dept. A7. Paxton-Mitchell Company, Omaha 5, Nebraska.

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#### Florida Diesel News

#### By Ed Dennis

A FAIRBANKS Morse 450 hp. diesel for the *Della Mae*, converted and repowered from a Navy mine-sweeper; a 45 hp. Fairbanks Morse diesel with a 25 kw. Westinghouse generator for auxiliary power, Bowers marine batteries and Diehl electric motors. Capt. John Francis is the proud skipper.

CIA DE INDUSTRIAS MARITIMA of Port au Prince, Haiti, received two model GEB 8 Sterling diesel engines with 100 kw. Westinghouse generators for a power plant from Auto Marine Engineers of Miami.

RECENT International Harvester diesel additions at the Toppino rock pit in Key West were a TD 18 dozer, a UD 18 on a Le Roi air compressor plus a UD 24 for a model 500 two stage Ingersoll-Rand air compressor.

TWO Cummins diesels 300 hp. each in the 84 ft. yacht White Swan which recently sailed for Newport, Calif., to its new owner C. W. Coulter of Phoenix, Arizona.

STAMAS SHIPYARD at Tarpon Springs launched a 65 ft. party fishing boat powered with two GM 6-71 diesels and over at Sarris & Sons Shipyard a 75 ft. shrimper powered with a D 13000 Caterpiller hit the waters.

A 400 hp. Atlas diesel for the 103x23 ft. Lady of Fatima, a 72x50 Columbian propeller, the deck winch is powered by a 90 hp. GM diesel; cost of this new fishing boat was about \$180,000, and on her first trip 200,000 lbs. of fish were caught.

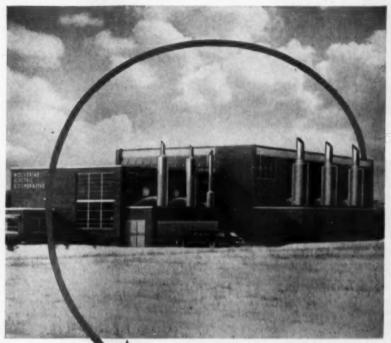
FLORIDA DIESEL ENGINES Sales at Jacksonville supplied the General Motors 6-71 diesel for the *Mildred K.* a 67x18 Tams designed shrimper owned by J. F. Scott of Tampa.

SEEN in the Gulfstream the yacht *Penquin* of Boston with 2 Cummins diesels, the *Jacquies* powered with two Hercules and the *South Wind* of Port Washington, N. Y., with her two 4-71 G. M.'s and a Witte diesel generating set.

JACKSONVILLE Yacht Storage proudly announces the launching of the 73 ft. Briny Marlin a package unit shrimper of a new design for long range fishing. Specifications are: 190 hp. Murphy diesel, Snow Nabstedt reduction gears, Twin Disc power take-off.

SHELLEY Tractor & Equipment Co. of Coral Gables shipped a D 7 Caterpillar tractor to Champion Supply Co. and a No. 12 grader to Finley P. Smith; both of Fort Lauderdale.

KENNEDY Marine Engine Co., of Biloxi, Miss., supplied the GM 110 diesels for the two 65x20 ft. twin screw off shore steel standby boats for Twenty Grand Co. The boats are also equipped with Onon diesel light plants, Surrette 31 plate batteries. They also supplied the GM 275 hp. diesels for a 58 ft. tug along with a 3 kw. Onan diesel generating set.



Fairbanks, Morse and Company and Cooper-Bessemer Corporation Diesels, equipped with exhaust Snubbers.

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#### Westinghouse Air Buys Le Tourneau

Westinghouse Air Brake Co, has announced the purchase of the earth-moving and related business

of R. G. Le Tourneau, Inc. for a reported \$19.5 million. Le Tourneau builds a full line of earthmoving equipment, including scrapers, bulldozers and special equipment for logging, mining, snow removal and other industries. Plants are at Peoria, Ill. and Toccoa, Ga. Westinghouse Air Brake will take over these plants, Le Tourneau's interest in an Australian subsidiary and certain current assets.

The new company will be operated as the Le Tourneau-Westinghouse Co. No change in personnel is contemplated. Mr. Le Tourneau, president and founder, will devote part of his time to the new company as consultant. R. G. Le Tourneau Inc. will continue to operate its Vicksburg, Miss. and Longview, Texas plants and manufacture special products for the U. S. Government, land clearing equipment, cranes and other products not related to earth-moving.

#### Miehle-Dexter Superchargers



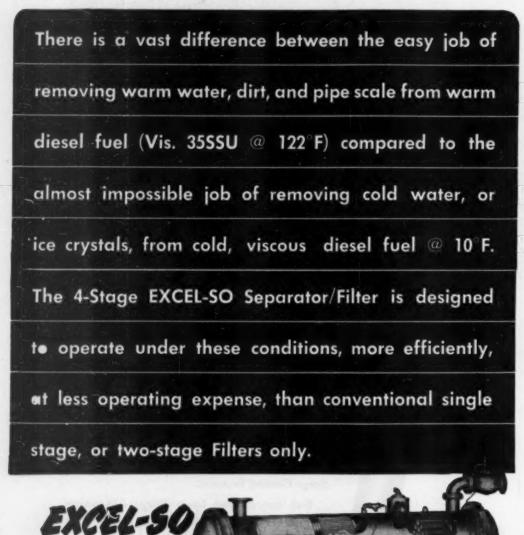
Hans Robusta



A line of positive displacement type superchargers, which have been standard equipment on many wellknown diesel engines for years, is now being pro-

duced in Racine by the Miehle-Dexter Supercharger Division of Dexter Folder Co. In addition to these standard superchargers, special designs for new engine models and other industrial uses are being developed, and competent engineering advice on the application of superchargers and blowers to engine is available. Mr. George Heintzemann, president of Dexter Folder, announced that all machinery, tools, fixtures, test equipment, drawings, etc., have been transferred from the Pesco Division of Borg-Warner Corp. in Cleveland to Racine. New machinery added to the plant, now owned by Miehle-Dexter, rounds out the facilities into one of the country's most modern and efficient supercharger manufacturing plants.

General Manager of the Division is Mr. Hans Bohuslav, formerly chief engineer and engine consultant for R. G. Le Tourneau, Inc. Well known in the diesel and gas engine fields, Mr. Bohuslav has served as vice president in charge of engineering, Sterling Engine Company, Buffalo, N. Y., and as chief engineer of the Enterprise Engine Company, San Francisco, California. Starting with a healthy backlog of orders for engine manufacturers such as Buda, Fairbanks-Morse, Cummins, Murphy and others, the new plant is just getting into operation.



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### New Catalog on GM Dieselized Euclids

The Euclid Road Machinery Company of Cleveland has issued a new catalog describing their line of earth moving equipment powered by General Motors two-cycle diesel engines. Pictured are heavy duty trucks of from 10 to 34 tons capacity, bottom dumps, scrapers and loaders. Illustrations of the various engine models and cutaway views of the Allison torque converter and torquatic transmission are also included. Featured for the first time is equipment now powered by General Motors 275 hp. 6-110 diesel engine. The catalog contains a complete list of Euclid distributors and branches and an extensive listing of GM diesel engine servicing points. A copy of the book may

be obtained from Euclid distributors and branches or by writing direct to the Euclid Road Machinery Company, Cleveland 17, Ohio.

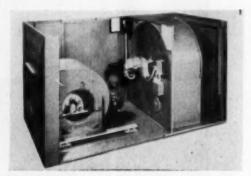
#### Service Plan Initiated by Westinghouse

Westinghouse Electric Corporation, in cooperation with diesel-electric locomotive builders using Westinghouse electrical equipment, has initiated a new plan for handling electrical renewal parts and "Unit Exchange" equipment. Under the new plan, Westinghouse is responsible for handling directly with the railroads all inquiries, negotiations, and orders involving the following: Main propulsion and auxiliary electrical-energy generating equipment; electrical control apparatus; trac-

tion motors, pinions, gears and gear cases; all renewal parts for this apparatus; and V-belts for main generators. All other locomotive equipment remains the responsibility of the locomotive builder.

Westinghouse maintains stocks of electrical renewal parts in warehouses strategically located throughout the country. Under the Unit Exchange arrangement, fully guaranteed electrical rotating units are stocked at 16 locations in the United States. When a customer needs a replacement unit it is shipped to him from Westinghouse stock. The replaced unit is returned to Westinghouse for reconditioning and is placed in the Unit Exchange pool. Westinghouse also has 23 repair plants available at convenient locations that specialize in diesel traction apparatus repairs.

#### Adds New Features to Package Cooler Unit



Farr package cooler with top and side housing removed to show easy accessibility.

Several new features have been incorporated in the Far-Air Package Cooler for 1953, according to J. D. Campbell, Sales Manager of Farr Company of Los Angeles, manufacturers of Fair-Air filters and air filtration equipment. The unit includes filters, cooler, blower and motor, and automatic flushing controls. Thermostat control can be incorporated. New features in the unit include an improved chemical brick in the water tank to prevent accumulation of salts and minerals on the rotor, and perfection of a system for automatic, periodic draining and flushing of the water tank to remove accumulations of minerals and organic material and maintain a clean unit with a minimum of attention.

Efficiency is exceptionally high and is maintained constantly, Mr. Campbell said, and the unit is guaranteed to deliver rated volume at a static pressure depression less than .40 in. of water at the blower inlet. It will cool from 100 degrees and 20% relative humidity to 75 degrees at rated volume, it was claimed, and the cooler is considered especially suited to any area where there is a difference of 20 degrees Fahrenheit or more between wet and dry bulb thermometer readings. Because of the combined filtering and humidifying action, the cooler is especially effective in hot, dry areas and in institutions where pulmonary ailments are being treated. All parts are corrosion-resistant, constructed of bronze and stainless steel. Complete information may be obtained by writing Farr Company, P. O. Box 10187 Airport Station, Los Angeles 45, Calif.





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### Federal Fawick Appointments





Theodore E. Metz

John V. Eakin

R. S. Huxtable, president of Federal Fawick Corporation, has announced the appointment of John V. Eakin as general manager of Fawick Airflex Division, and Theodore E. Metz as advertising manager of the corporation. Mr. Eakin has been with the company since 1943 and was formerly assistant general manager, sales manager, and southwestern district manager. In his new position, he will be responsible for the direction of Fawick Airflex Division, manufacturers of industrial clutches and brakes and related products. Before joining Fawick, Mr. Eakin was employed for three years in the engineering department of the National Supply Company, Toledo, Ohio, a leading manufacturer of petroleum equipment.

Mr. Metz has been the advertising manager of Fawick Airflex Division and of the Fawick Airflex Company prior to the merger of Fawick and Federal Motor Truck Company, Detroit, Michigan. He has been with Fawick since 1948, having previously been a member of the sales department. In his new position Mr. Metz will be responsible for the administration of advertising and sales promotion for the corporation; Fawick Airflex Division: Fawick Brake Division, Detroit, Michigan, manufacturers of the new Fawick Hydro-air Dual System vehicle brake; and Federal Motor Truck Division, manufacturers of Federal Motor Trucks. Prior to joining Fawick, he was employed for two years in the sales department of the Herrick Company, Boston, Massachusetts, wholesale steel distributors. During World War II he served in the United States Marine Corps Reserve, attaining the rank of First Lieutenant.

### **New York Central Expands Dieselization**

The New York Central System has announced that it has placed orders for 164 more diesel-electric locomotive units, costing approximately \$27,500,000. When deliveries are completed by this fall, these will fully dieselize all Central service east of Cleveland, and passenger service east of Detroit.

Symbolizing the end of an epoch, this will mean elimination of the last steam locomotives on the Central's 2,800 miles of roadway within New York State. It was on the 16-mile line between Albany and Schenectady, N. Y.—where some of these new diesel-electrics will be manufactured—that a Central predecessor railroad, the Mohawk and Hudson, inaugurated steam-powered travel in New York State in August, 1831, with an historic, wood-burning locomotive called the DeWitt Clinton, a brave, 111/2-foot predecessor of the coal-fired steam locomotives of later generations.

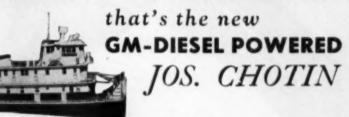
With the new order, the Central will have 2,113

diesel units-more than any other railroad-with a total horsepower of 2,758,900. This will amount to approximately 60 per cent of the horsepower necessary for complete dieselization of the system. Of the locomotives, to be built by the Electro-Motive Division of General Motors at LaGrange, Ill., and the American Locomotive Co. at Schenectady, N. Y., the Central itself will receive 124 of the new diesels, while 40 will go to the affiliated Pittsburgh and Lake Erie Railroad. Thirty-four units will be 2,250horsepower passenger engines, 80 will be 1,500 and 1,600-horsepower road switchers for use in passenger, freight and switching service, 15 will be 1,500 and 1,600-horsepower units for freight and switching service and 35 will be 1,000-horsepower yard switchers.

Presently all freight service east of Cleveland is dieselized with the exception of several steam locomotives on the Beech Creek branch in Pennsylvania. Passenger service on the affiliated Boston and Albany and P&LE railroads is fully dieselized, as are virtually all New York-Chicago and New York-St. Louis through trains. Diesels also perform all the work on the affiliated Peoria and Eastern, Indiana Harbor Belt and Chicago River & Indiana railroads.

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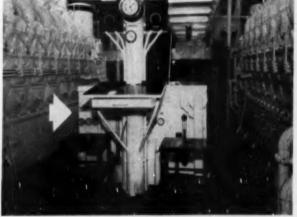
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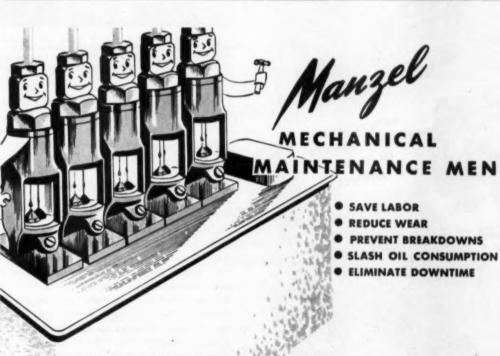
#### **Cummins Hosts Meeting**

Chicagoland truck dealers visit Cummins. Thirtyone Autocar, Diamond T, Federal, International
Harvester, and White truck dealers and their
salesmen visited Cummins Engine Company, Inc.,
at Columbus, Indiana, recently for a one day
JBS-600 conference. The trip was organized by,
and the visitors were guests of, R. H. Snyder,
president, Cummins Illinois Engine Sales, Inc.,
Chicago. The truck dealers and their salesmen
toured Cummins manufacturing facilities, and in
addition were fully briefed on the newest member
of the Cummins line, the 150 hp. Model JBS-600
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turn, was made in an ACF-Brill, Cummins powered bus, owned and operated by Continental Trailways. The engine in the bus is a 200 hp. Model NHHB-600 (horizontal) Cummins diesel, which, in nine months, logged 196,000 miles without down time, while averaging eight miles per gallon in inter-city bus service.

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Weldon Baker

Weldon Baker was elected president of Safety Seal Piston Ring Co., Fort Worth, Texas, at the recent meeting of the firm's board of directors. Safety Seal Piston Ring Co., established in April, 1951 by the late William S. Baker as a partnership with his sons. Weldon and Don

Baker, was incorporated in January of 1953 and has purchased new plant facilities which will enable the company to greatly increase production. Safety Seal Piston Ring Company manufactures a complete line of industrial and marine piston rings, including a new one-piece sealing ring on which patents are pending. The new Safety Seal factory and offices are located at 1111 Foch Street in Fort Worth.

#### To Serve Industries in Canada

Richard N. Mathews has been elected vice president of Kewanee-Ross of Canada Limited, and placed in charge of the firm's new general offices at 57 Bloor Street West, Toronto, W. Bradford Russell, president, said in an announcement. The recently formed company was established to provide engineering and sales service to Canadian in-

dustry on all types of shell and tube heat exchangers, coolers, surface and barometric condensers, steam jet ejectors, and high pressure steam boilers.

"This move is being made in order to give Canadian customers more adequate engineering assistance and better service on both heat exchangers and high pressure boilers," Mr. Mathews explained, "Ross type exchangers are well known in Canada, having been made for the Canadian market for over twenty years by Horton Steel Works Limited, of Fort Erie, Ontario. The actual equipment will continue to be made by Horton, with engineering by Kewanee-Ross," he added. The new company is a division of American Radiator & Standard Sanitary Corporation and is affiliated with Kewanee-Ross of Kewanee, Illinois and Buffalo, New York.

### Pakistan Railway Engineers



Engineers Mohammed Y. Warris (right) and Mohammed S. Ansari (center) of the Pakistan Railways receive first hand training on Cooper-Bessemer locomotive diesel engines from Fletcher M. Devin, manager Railway Engine Division of Cooper-Bessemer Corporation.

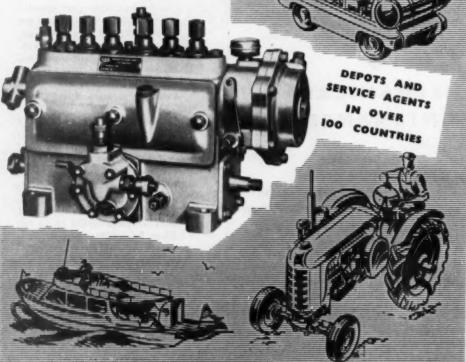
Two top flight engineers of the Railways of Pakistan are currently attending a comprehensive locomotive diesel training and inspection program at The Cooper-Bessemer Corporation's plant in Grove City, Pennsylvania. Sent to this country to assimilate details of American-built railway equipment, Mohammed Y. Warris and Mohammed S. Ansari will spend over a year in studying all phases of this country's railroading techniques. Besides making studies of manufacturing techniques and procedures, these men have the advantage of an actual full scale cutaway of a 6-cylinder supercharged FWL engine, ten of which are being furnished to power General Electric locomotives for the Pakistan Railway. Their training under the direction of Fletcher M. Devin, manager, Railway Engine Division of Cooper-Bessemer, includes complete engineering background on efficient operation and maintenance of locomotive engines which they will eventually supervise.

In addition to furnishing diesel power for the ten locomotives on this particular project, Cooper-Bessemer already has its engines on numerous draglines and power shovels, built by Bucyrus-Erie and Marion Power Shovel, currently in operation in Pakistan. During their stay, Mr. Warris and Mr. Ansari will devote further study to engineering developments at Cooper-Bessemer's main plant at Mount Vernon, Ohio.



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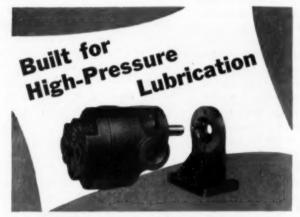


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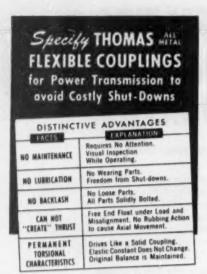


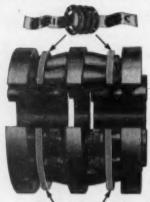
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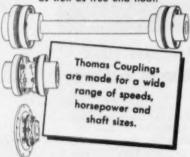
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## **Bay Area Diesel News**

By BRUCE WADMAN

SAN FRANCISCO, May 15: Two large Enterprise diesel generating sets have been purchased for service in the Philippines on a dam construction job. Each Enterprise engine-generator set is skid mounted, with all operating equipment self-contained for immediate field service. One 6 cylinder turbocharged Q engine rated 1270 hp. at 360 rpm. will drive a 900 kw. generator. One 8 cylinder turbocharged G engine rated 925 hp. at 450 rpm. will drive a 650 kw. generator. Overall length of each skid mounted unit is approximately 35 ft. with weight in the range of 60 to 100 tons.

THE Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co. in San Jose has purchased another 60-kw., 480 volt GM generator set to be used primarily for 300-amp. welders. The Delco generator is driven by a GM 6-71 diesel. This is the fourth unit of this type put into service by Pittsburgh-Des Moines Steel Co.

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ON OR about June 1, a new Waukesha dealership will be opened in Emeryville. Waukesha Pacific Equipment Co., located at 1310 Sixty-Sixth St. in Emeryville, will integrate industrial and automotive Waukesha diesel sales, parts, and service into one new plant location. This will be the only authorized Waukesha distributor in Northern

THE National Supply Company's Engine Division Branch, located in Oakland, received its first Lister stationary diesels on May 6. The 1, 2, and 3 cylinder models are now on display at the Oakland Branch.

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DISPLAYED at the Tulsa Oil Show from May 14 to 23 was an Enterprise model DGSM 362, turbocharged, dual-fuel engine rated 400 hp. at 800 rpm. The engine was completely skid mounted and self sufficient, with all equipment and controls mounted on a common skid base, including radiator (engine driven) compressor, speed-up gear and pump for oil field use. The unit was completely automatic and starts or is shut down when pre-determined pump pressure limits are reached. This is believed to be the first completely automatic engine of this type for oil field service.

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GMC dealers, GM truck operators, private garages that specialize in GM diesel work, and men from various oil companies took the spring course of 11 sessions of 2 weeks each. Men came from as far north as Alaska, as far south as Douglas, Arizona, and as far east as Ogden, Utah to attend the school. FOR powering a new planing mill, Mr. A. Har-

land has recently finished a successful spring session

of their diesel school, and they plan to reopen the

school in the fall. One hundred thirty men from

wood of Laytonville has installed a twin 6-71 GM diesel unit with a total of 330 hp. For driving the head-rig in his new sawmill, Mr. R. D. White of Pescadero has installed a new Series 6-71 GM

THE tug Moi, owned by Young Bros. Div. of Oahu Railway and Land Co. of Honolulu, finished her trial run in Seattle on March 27 and left for Honolulu on April 1. She is a twin screw 143 ft. ocean going tug, with power provided by two 1200 hp. Fairbanks-Morse diesels.

A PAIR of the new inclined 4-71 GM diesels have been purchased from West Coast Engine & Equipment Co. for installation in a 46 ft. Stevens Cruiser for Hank Bauman. These diesels, rated at 94 hp. continuous, are the first of this model to be sold in the Bay Area.

A TURBOCHARGED model DMM-36 Enterprise diesel will be installed in the Tug Tyee for Great Western Towing and Salvage Co., Ltd. The tug will operate along the coast of British Columbia, and its principal work will be towing log rafts.

FROM Buda Engine & Equipment Co., Jack Collins of Berkeley has bought a model 6-DAS-844 Buda 280 hp. diesel for installation in a White-Sterling truck used for hauling lumber from Willits. Calif. to the Bay Area.

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FOR powering two Hough Payloaders, two 3-71 GM diesels have been purchased by McGuire & Hester, a contractor in the East Bay Area. This is the fourth installation of this type in the Bay Area.

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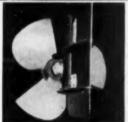
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In open water tests with the new engine her overall speed increased three miles per hour and the time required on a regular 9½ hour run with 200,000 gallons of tar in tow was decreased two hours. More working space in the engine room was also provided by the compactness of the new engine. After serving for many years as the Detroit Marine Post Office delivering mail to Great Lakes freighters, the craft was converted into a tug in 1947. Her beam is 16 ft. and her draft 5 ft. 6 in. She swings a 45 x 32 propeller and is equipped with GM hydraulic reduction and reverse gears of 3 to 1 ratio. The boat is of iron construction and has concrete in her bow to facilitate ice breaking.

#### Diesel Engine Bulletin

Bulletin #5205 just released by The National Supply Co. Engine Division, Springfield, Ohio, describes the Lister Models FR4 and FR6, 4-cycle, stationary diesel engines. The 4-page folder gives engine dimensions, weights nad technical data on these 1000 to 1800 rpm., 36 bhp. to 54 bhp., four and six cylinder units. The FR engines have chrome-hardened cylinder liners, individual fuelinjection pumps for each cylinder, and oversize crankshafts. High and low compression ratios, for easy starting and normal running, respectively, are selected by spring-loaded levers.

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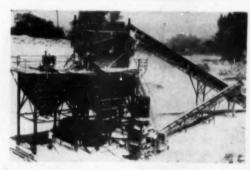
Alexander Ross

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Schenectady, N. Y.-Appointment of Alexander Ross as chief engineer and H. R. Sennstrom as executive engineer has been announced by H. L. Weinberg, director of engineering, locomotive division, American Locomotive Company. Mr. Ross has been associated with American Locomotive and Montreal Locomotive Works, Limited, Alco's Canadian affiliate, since 1932 when he joined the engineering department at Montreal. In 1940, at the request of the Canadian government, he was temporarily assigned in charge of engineering of the muntions division. Canadian National Railways. In 1941, he returned to MLW and was placed in charge of locomotive engineering, a post he held until 1945. He was transferred to Schenectady as assistant to the director of locomotive engineering in early 1946. He became mechanical engineer chassis design and in October, 1952, was named engineer in charge of locomotive design. He is a member of the Institute of Locomotive Engineering, London; and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Mr. Sennstrom joined American Locomotive Company's engineering department in 1940. He specialized in laboratory and diesel engine development work and in 1946 was named superintendent of the diesel engine laboratory. In 1949 he was appoined research and testing engineer and was in charge of all laboratory work. He directed pioneer work in the use of the spectroscope in analyzing diesel engine lubricating oil in locomotive maintenance. He is a member of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, Society of Automotive Engineers and American Society of Testing Materials.

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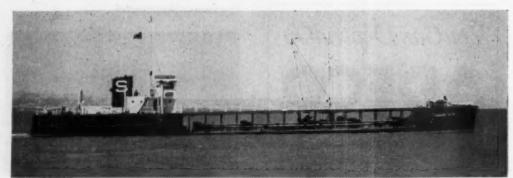
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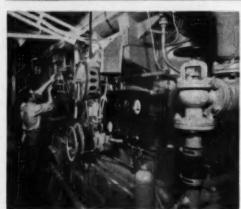
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### THE "STANDARD OILER"

By BRUCE WADMAN

SINCE April, 1952, the Standard Oiler, a refueling tanker owned by Standard Oil Co. of California, has been a familiar sight around the San Francisco Bay Area piers and docking facilities. This tanker, which made her maiden voyage on April 18, 1952, is used for bunkering black oil directly onto ships and also to scattered shore distributing and customer plants in the Bay Area. At first glance, she looks like an ordinary small tanker, but there is an interesting background to her that bears looking into. In the first place, there is a bit of history connected with this tanker. She was pressed into service to replace the old Contra Costa, a tanker which operated in the same capacity in the Bay Area from 1908 to 1951. Way back then, Otto Fisher of Diesel Engine Co. sold two 250 hp. Union gasoline engines to Standard Oil Co. to power the Contra Costa. Now in the more modern Standard Oiler, a single Union 6 cylinder, 560 hp. diesel engine is utilized to drive the tanker. This 325 rpm. direct-drive, direct-reversible diesel propels the Standard Oiler, at a speed of 10 knots loaded in contrast to the Contra Costa, which was able to make only 8 knots loaded. This favorable speed





The STANDARD OILER and view of the engine room showing the Union diesel engine.

comparison becomes even more significant when one takes a look at the relative capacities of the two tankers. The Contra Costa had a dead-weight of 1,100 tons and a cargo capacity of 7,783 barrels. The Standard Oiler has a deadweight of 1,342 tons and a cargo capacity of 9,470 barrels. This tanker not only portrays a history of almost fifty years of dealings between Union Diesel and Standard Oil, but is another outstanding case of the transition to dieselized drive in the marine field. The Standard Oiler is a symbol of progress, a progress in which the diesel engine is playing an ever increasingly important role in its application to more and more



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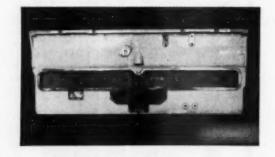
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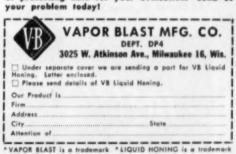
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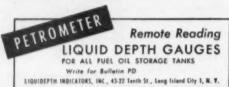
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#### **Army Locomotives**



The first locomotives of an order for 83 new Alco-GE diesel-electric locomotives for the Army Transportation Corps were delivered last month, and the order will be completed late this year, according to an announcement by American Locomotive Company and General Electric Company. The new 1600 hp. units are a military road switching type adapted to operation on any standard or wide-gage track in any climate in the world. They are comparable in characteristics, speed and pulling power to the standard four-motor Alco-GE 1600 hp. road switcher, but include several alterations and modifications to meet exacting Army specifications. 1. A mechanical adjustment allows movement of the wheels on the axles so that the locomotives can be operated on standard and wide-gage tracks. 2. The locomotives have built-in characteristics which will permit operation in temperatures ranging from -40 deg. F. to 125 deg. F., with provision for operation in temperatures as low as -65 deg. F. 3. Overall locomotive weight is pared to 120 tons, weight of the standard 1600 hp. road switcher, despite the addition of non-standard equipment. This equipment includes three-motor instead of two-motor trucks, an extra 800-gallon fuel tank and winterization items. 4. Couplers of A. A. R. and Willison transition type can be fitted to the locomotives, and piping and brackets are provided for installation of vacuum brakes. 5. Locomotive width and height are reduced to conform with Army restrictions.

The locomotive is 561/2 feet long, 131/2 feet high from rail and 91/2 feet wide over grab rails. It is powered by a 1600 hp. Alco 12-cylinder supercharged engine which drives a GE generator and traction motors. Geared for a top speed of 65 mph., it is designed for either freight, passenger or switcher service. The locomotive meets the all-important Army requirements of keeping the weight under 120 tons to conform with load limits of foreign countries. Weight of the standard Alco-GE sixmotor road switcher is 180 tons. Because of lighter track and weaker roadbeds, the foreign requirements are set at 40,000 pounds per axle weight on drivers, as compared with the 60,000-pounds-ormore limits generally accepted in this country. The weight is distributed evenly over two trucks, each

### **Automotive Sales Manager**

Mr. Al Anderson, west coast regional manager of the Buda Engine & Equipment Co., announces the appointment of James T. Shirley as automotive sales manager. Mr. Shirley, known to his many friends as "Jim," is no stranger to the trucking industry. For the past seven years he has been with the Bank of America (Vernon Branch) where he spent the entire time serving the financial needs of the industry. Mr. Anderson assures those who have had the opportunity of dealing with Mr. Shirley in financial matters that there will be no change in his ever present desire to be of service. To most of the motor transportation fraternity this move will mean a new role for an old friend. To others who haven't known him he says "Meet a man who understands your problems and has a genuine desire to help solve them."

#### President of SAE



Robert Cass

Robert Cass, assistant to the president of The White Motor Company, Cleveland, well known in the truck industry, has been installed as 1953 president of the Society of Automotive Engineers at the recent annual meeting of the group. Mr. Cass immediately began a coast-to-coast tour

which will take him to every section of the country's largest automotive engineering society. He succeeds D. P. Barnard, of Standard Oil Co. of Indiana. During the past 18 months, Mr. Cass served as director of the motor vehicle section of the Federal government's National Production Administration.

"The automotive and aircraft industries today face two very real shortages," he stated in his acceptance talk at the annual dinner of the society. "The shortage of trained engineers continues to warrant real concern and our training facilities must be expanded to fill this need. The other shortage is a continued shortage of strategic materials. The shortages of critical elements due to our nation's preparedness program present real problems and a great challenge to the automotive and aviation engineers. Substitutes today will be called upon to do even more work, handle more heat and live longer than the materials they replace.

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### **Gulf Coast Diesel News**

By Michael T. Pate

HUROC Company, 1109 Scanlan Bldg., Houston, have ordered a Stewart & Stevenson Model RD 15 D.C. generating set to power a magnet crane. A G.M. series 71, 2-cylinder 34 hp. diesel will power the unit, the installation being made by Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc., Houston.

W. R. SIMS Company, of Morgan City, Louisiana, has purchased two G.M. Series 51, Model 43200 diesels to power a 33-foot steel crew boat being built by E. W. & A. P. Dupont Company, of Morgan City.

BELLEW & Bellew, Abilene, Texas, have purchased through Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc., Houston, two G.M. Model 62420, Series 110 diesels, developing 150 hp. at 1200 rpm. The diesels are to be used as drives for two Redhead deepwell Stewart & Stevenson turbine pumps for irrigation purposes.

STANOLIND Oil & Gas Company, Houston, has purchased a G.M. Model 12103 diesel, developing 260 hp. at 1600 rpm., together with torque converter, to be used to power a drilling rig mud pump.

SOCONY-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc., has had installed by Todd Shipbuilding Company, Houston, two Superior diesel engines, each developing 1080 shaft hp. at 360 rpm. as propelling power on a 24,000-bbl. tanker being outfitted for inland lakes and coastal service. The tanker will be 300 feet in length, and will carry a crew of 19.

NESTOR Kitten, Slaton, Texas, has purchased from Stewart & Stevenson, Houston, a General Motors series 51, 4-cylinder diesel to power a turbine pump for irrigation service.

PURE Oil Company, Houston, has bought through Stewart & Stevenson Services, Inc., a series 71, Model 6031C General Motors diesel to drive a Hunt Model 50 coring reel for a deep well drilling rig. The diesel will develop 130 hp. at 1600 rpm. The Company has also secured a G.M. series 71, model 2031C to drive a 4x5 Mission water pump on the same rig

MUSTANG Tractor & Equipment Co., Houston, has installed for Gribble Marine Service, Houston, two Caterpillar marine units, Model D-337, each developing 170 hp. at 1600 rpm., to be used to drive twin screws through 2:1 reduction gear in the converted houseboat *Heavymoon*. The craft is 90 feet long, with 18-foot beam and 5-foot draft. She will be used in offshore exploration work.

HOUSTON Oil Field Material Company has purchased from Stewart & Stevenson one model 8103 General Motors diesel which it is installing to drive a mud pump for Standard Sulphur Company, Rosenburg, Texas.

JOE HOLMES, Edinburg, Texas, has purchased a series 71, model 6031C General Motors diesel to drive a deepwell turbine pump. The diesel will develop 130 hp. at 1600 rpm.

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### West Coast Diesel News

By Fred M. Burt

PURCHASED by L. C. Cameron, a Southern California oil well drilling contractor, for power on a drilling rig in use at Chino Hills District operation, a 6-cyl. 150-hp. General Motors diesel.

SOLD BY Hallett Mfg. Co., Inglewood, Calif. to Shelley Tractor & Equip. Co., Miami, Florida, five 2-cyl. 18-hp., water-cooled Hallett diesels to power refrigeration units in shrimp boats.

AT MONTEREY, Oscar Vienola has re-powered his fishing boat Ann Marie with a new 3-cyl. General Motors diesel; installation by Phil Hover, Hover Equipment Co.

REFRIGERATION equipment installed at Wilber's Boat Yard, Long Beach, Calif., in Louie Jacobsen's Glacier Bay (from Pelican, Alaska) has a new Petter diesel to drive the Freon system.

TWO 54-B Bucyrus-Erie shovels from Crook Co., Los Angeles, powered with 275-hp., super-charged Cummins diesel engines, purchased by Kaiser Steel Co., in Fontana, to be used for general crane work

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OTHER BOATS re-powered with GM 6-110's, 230-hp. diesels: Daisy, 70 ft. dragger owned by Martin Suich, Seattle; Laurie Ann, owned by ARB Packing Co., of Seattle and Wrangell, Alaska, also with new 3.7:1 GM reverse gear; and 70 ft. dragger Theresa S., owner Matt Sarunich, Seattle, with 3/7: I reverse and reduction gear.

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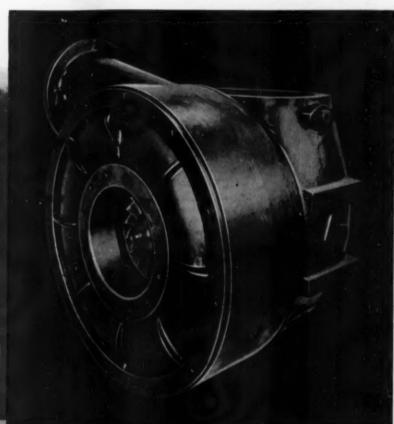
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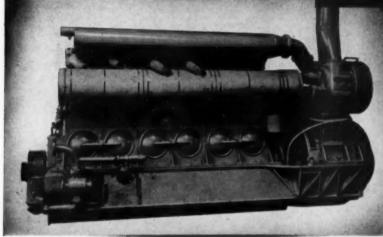
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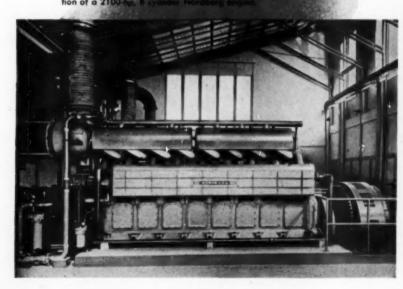
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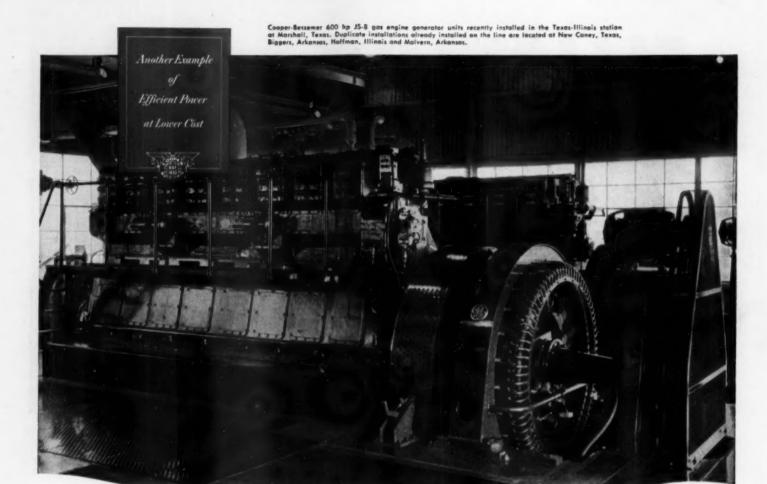
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